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2004



**GRAND CHAPTER
ROYAL ARCH MASONS**



**GRAND COUNCIL
CRYPTIC MASONS**



**GRAND COMMANDERY
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR**

**GRAND LODGE, ANCIENT, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

*One Hundred Fifty-Eighth
Annual Convocation*

OF THE

Grand Chapter

OF

Royal Arch Masons

OF THE

State of Missouri



HELD AT
CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI
MAY 14, 2004 A.M.: 2534





*Delbert Ray Gentry
Grand High Priest
Grand Chapter of Missouri
2003-2004*

Biographical

DELBERT RAY GENTRY
Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter
of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri
2003-2004

Delbert R. Gentry, working compatibly with the late Benjamin C. Moore, Jr., has demonstrated a remarkable blend of Masonic commitment and zeal. Much of the progress of Trenton Lodge and York Rite bodies during the past decade has resulted from the leadership of this loyal duo of Masonic stalwarts. Regrettably, Ben's untimely death in April 2002 ended their aspirations of simultaneously steering Missouri's Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery during the 2003-2004 year. For at least ten years, Most Excellent Companion Gentry and Sir Knight Moore were prerequisites for conferring degrees and ritual for Trenton Lodge and York Rite as well as most Masonic funeral services in the area.

Missouri's Grand High Priest was born March 31, 1927, only a half-mile from the home where he and his lady Betty now live. Their 295-acre farm has been in the Gentry family for more than a century. Delbert attended a rural grade school and graduated from Trenton High School in 1945. With military draft inevitable, he stayed on the farm until early in 1946, when he was inducted into the U.S. Army at Ft. Leavenworth, KS. He was soon transferred to Fort Lee, VA, then to Fort Sill, OK. From May to November of 1947, he was an instructor on the artillery range at West Point Military Academy where he was discharged.

Early in 1948, after returning home to survey employment possibilities, he met Betty Crawford, a Trenton girl. They were married November 25. Four children ensued; Brenda Allen, Deanna Boggs, Timothy, and Karen Saul residing in California, Columbia, MO, St. Joseph, and Trenton respectively.

Meanwhile, Delbert was assistant manager of Trenton Hy-Vee Foods before starting a 28-year career at the Carnation Food Plant, also in Trenton. He began in the maintenance department and in time became a purchasing agent. He retired in 1991.

An active member of the Trenton First Christian Church for about 50 years, Delbert served two terms as chairman of the church board and repeated terms as elder and deacon.

For some ten years, their children and grandchildren have been Delbert and Betty's main interests, followed by their Masonic activities at local and state levels. Part of his spare time, which is limited, is spent delivering prescriptions for a local pharmacy.

Raised in Trenton Lodge No. 111 in 1958, he has been elected Master three times, was Secretary for six years, and has served as District Deputy Grand Lecturer.

He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Trenton Chapter No. 66 in 1959 and has been elected High Priest three times. He was greeted a Royal and Select Master in Trenton Council No. 37 and knighted in Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery No. 24 in 1959. Delbert has filled the offices of Illustrious Master four times and has served as Commander five times.

Most Excellent Companion Gentry is also a member of Missouri Priory No. 17, KYCH, the Order of High Priesthood, the Order of the Silver Trowel, and the Missouri Association of Past Commanders. He is Past Sovereign of St. Joseph Conclave, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine; a member of the Royal Order of Scotland; Past Worthy Patron of Parson Chapter No. 189, OES; and a member of Pony Express Council No. 350, Allied Masonic Degrees. Delbert has also served as Governor of Edwin C. Carpenter York Rite College No. 181 and has been honored with the Order of the Purple Cross. He is also Fifth Pillar of Our Lord's Tabernacle, H.R.A.K.T.P. and a member of Charlemagne Council No. 79, Knight Masons. For many years he has served as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of South Carolina, Regional Deputy Grand Master of Region 2 of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri, and Regional Grand Commander of Region 2 of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri.

Most Excellent Delbert R. Gentry, Grand High Priest, was elected Grand Principal Sojourner on May 14, 1999 and will continue to serve where needed and when called.



2003-2004 OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

(Front row, from left to right): Calvin D. Schroff; William B. Stephenson, Jr.; Donald L. Trabue; Walter W. Doyle; Delbert R. Gentry; Harley L. Kropf; Kevin B. Sample; Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr.; Robert E. Hardester; and James M. Williams. (Back row, from left to right): Chris M. Jessen; Daniel R. Quesenberry; George L. Duncan; C. C. McLenore, III; Steven C. Monrotus; Ralph E. Nolan, and Claude M. Eckert.

One Hundred Fifty-Eighth Annual Convocation

The One Hundred Fifty-Eighth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Missouri was convened at 8:00 a.m., Friday, May 14, 2004, at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, Missouri, with the following Grand Officers in their stations:

Delbert R. Gentry	Grand High Priest
Walter W. Doyle	Grand King
Harley L. Kropf	Grand Scribe
Donald L. Trabue	Grand Treasurer
Kevin B. Sample	Grand Secretary
William B. Stephenson, Jr.	Grand Captain of the Host
Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr.	Grand Principal Sojourner
Robert E. Hardester	Grand Royal Arch Captain
George L. Duncan	Grand Master of the 3 rd Veil
C.C. McLemore, III	Grand Master of the 2 nd Veil
Steven C. Monrotus	Grand Master of the 1 st Veil
James M. Williams, PGHP	Grand Historian
Ralph E. Nolan	Grand Chaplain
Calvin D. Schroff, PGHP	Grand Lecturer
Daniel R. Quesenberry	Grand Chorister
Chris M. Jessen	Grand Organist
Claude M. Eckert	Grand Sentinel

RECEPTION OF 2003 – 2004 GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

Most Excellent Companion Calvin D. Schroff, PGHP, introduced the Grand Chapter Officers upon their entrance. The Grand High Priest was received with a standing ovation and Grand Honors.

OPENING OF THE GRAND CHAPTER

The Grand Chapter Officers opened the One Hundred Fifty-Eighth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri in full ritualistic form. Most Excellent Companion R. Gentry thanked all for their attendance and expressed that he wished all the Companions a wonderful grand convocation.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The Grand Secretary reported on behalf of the Committee on Credentials that there was a constitutional number of Chapters present to open a Grand Convocation.

INTRODUCTION AND RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS



Here presented are the Past Grand High Priests of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri. Present were *(from left to right)*: Roy A. Welshon, Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr., Robert W. Schlichter, José R. Palacios, Calvin D. Schroff, Ralph P. Bunnell, William E. Brennenman, Harry O. Maenner, Earl W. Orr, Ervin A. Drewing, Foster S. Crawford, James M. Williams, E. Allen Kohler, and Charles A. Bottermuller. MEC Bottermuller *(right)* then spoke on behalf of all the Past Grand High Priests. Following the Grand Honors, the Grand High Priest welcomed and received these Most Excellent Companions in the East.

HEADS OF MISSOURI BODIES



(from left to right): EC Thomas C. Yunick, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri, 2003-2004; EC Stanton T. Brown, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri, 2004-2005; and EC Gary A. Phillips, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri, 2003-2004. Following the grand honors, Grand High Priest Gentry expressed that it was an honor to receive these three and that it was a pleasure to work with the Grand Master and Grand Commander this past year. He then received these most distinguished Companions in the East.

OUT OF STATE GUESTS



Our out of state distinguished guests. They are (*from left to right*): MEC Robert R. "Doc" Anderson, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Minnesota; MEC David F. Snyder, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Kansas and Personal Representative of the Grand Master General, Convent General, KYCH; MEC James N. Karnegis, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Nebraska; MEC Douglas R. Heath, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Iowa; and (*not pictured*) MEC Phillip W. Keffer, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Kansas.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS



Representatives of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International. They are (*from left to right*): REC Ronald E. Wood, Jr., Deputy Grand Governor of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America in Missouri, Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri, and Past General Grand Chaplain; MEC James B. Wall, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Kentucky and Executive Director of Royal Arch Research Assistance; MEC Ronnie G. Skipper, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Kentucky and General Grand

Chapter Ambassador to Kentucky; and EC Lionel J. Goede, Grand Governor of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America in Missouri and General Grand Chapter Ambassador to Missouri.



MEC José R. Palacios (*left*), South Central Deputy General Grand High Priest, General Grand Principal Sojourner, and Personal Representative of MEC J. Benny Allen, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International. (*Pictured with MEC Palacios is EC William B. Stephenson, Jr., Grand Captain of the Host.*) He was presented to the East and briefly addressed the Grand Convocation. Not pictured, EC Roy E. Rapp, Jr., Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Missouri near Maryland and Personal Representative of the Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Maryland.

GRAND LODGE OF MISSOURI OFFICERS



Grand Lodge Officers of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, & Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri. They are (*from left to right*): EC Stanton T. Brown, Grand Chaplain; EC Ralph E. Nolan, Grand Chaplain; EC John E. Schofield, Grand Organist; REC Ronald E. Wood, Jr., Grand Chaplain; and EC Ronald D. Miller, Grand Secretary.



Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free & Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri. They are (from left to right): EC Glenn E. Means; MEC P. Vincent Kinhead; and EC Wilfred G. Soutiea, Jr. MEC Kinhead addressed the Grand Convocation briefly.

GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT, FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI



EC Stanley M. Thompson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free & Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri, after which he was received in due form and escorted to the East to address the Grand Convocation.

ADDRESS OF MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER STANLEY M. THOMPSON

Grand Master Thompson asked that EC Gary Phillips, EC Thomas Yunick, and Stanton Brown come to the east for a special presentation. He stated that it has been a custom of the Grand Lodge for the past couple of years to make a little presentation to each of the heads of the bodies. He further asked that they accept these tokens from the Grand Lodge as tokens of appreciation and our hope for a wonderful year and our hope for the new officers for a wonderful year to come.



DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS



District Deputy Grand High Priests for 2003 – 2004. Those present were (*from left to right*): EC James A. Nunn, Region 7, District A; EC Larry D. Wyatt, Region 4, District B; EC D. Keith Duren, Region 4, District A; EC James W. Williams, Region 3, District C; EC William W. Mier, Region 2, District B; EC Dan Daniel, Region 2, District A.; EC Darrell A. Wilham, Region 1, District B; and EC Clyde F. Bondy, Jr., Region 1, District A. (*Not pictured were EC George Merkle, Region 5, District A and EC C.C. McLemore, VI, Region 7, District B.*)

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Secretary called the roll of the Grand Representatives of other jurisdictions to Missouri as they assembled. The Grand Representatives of other Grand Chapters near the Grand Chapter of Missouri in attendance are noted in the report of the Committee on Credentials. *(A complete listing of Grand Representatives may be found in the back of the proceedings.)*



DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS



District Deputy Grand Lecturers for 2003 – 2004. Those present were (from left to right): EC C.C. McLemore, III, Region 7, District A; EC David H. Lewis, Region 5, District A; EC Roy A. Gilkey, Region 4, District B; EC Russell S. Hanson, Region 4, District A; EC Forrest G. Lowe, Region 3, District B; EC Jack E. Timmons, Region 3, District C; EC Scott S. Crawford, Region 3, District A; and EC David A. Lloyd, Region 1, District A.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST

To the Grand Chapter, Officers, and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri:

To the Grand Officers and to all Companions of this Grand Chapter of Missouri, I bid you a hearty welcome to this 158th annual Convocation. I also want to welcome the visiting Companions from other jurisdictions. I hope your visit with us will be a pleasant one. If there is anything you need, please let us know.

One year ago, you elected me to be the Grand High Priest. I was both humbled and honored. It has been a year of pleasant experiences! It has given me the opportunity to travel about the state and to other jurisdictions. Betty and I have been received openly, and we have met many good people and made many friends.

I would like to thank my District Deputy Grand High Priests and my District Deputy Grand Lecturers for their tireless efforts to make this a good year. To all the committees and their chairmen, I extend a heartfelt thank you for your good work, for without your efforts, I would have been lost. I would also like to thank MEC Calvin Schroff for conducting the regional schools. He is an excellent instructor and I know we can all benefit from his efforts. Also, big thanks to Bob Bray for the Missouri Page in the Royal Arch Magazine, and for his efforts in promoting the long distance service. We have added ten more to this service this year. It is a good long distance program and our Grand Chapter will benefit from it.

As I leave this office of the Grand High Priest, I would like to say that I have tried with my best efforts to fulfill my duties. The memories will always be mine!

NECROLOGY

Many of our companions have fallen this year. Among them was Most Excellent Companion Roy Clements, Past Grand High Priest. Grand Chaplain, Excellent Companion Rev. Ralph Nolan, will you take this time to conduct our Necrology service.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

by Ralph E. Nolan, Grand Chaplain

Companions:

O Lord, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill? Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and speak the truth from their hearts; who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends, nor take up reproach against their neighbors; in whose eyes the wicked are despised, but who honor those who fear the Lord, who stand by their oath even to their hurt. Those who do these things shall never be moved. (*Psalms 15 NRSV*)

When I read these words of the Psalmist I think about those companions who have served their local Royal Arch Chapter and the Grand Royal Arch Chapter with their, time and talents, and now have gone on to serve their Creator. One by one, we are all called by the Supreme High Priest of Heaven and earth. When our name is called, we will hear it and obey, as we meet our Creator face to face. During this past year he has summoned 220 of our companions that they might be with Him forever in that house not made with hands. Among those called was our friend the Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest, Roy R. Clements. No longer will we hear their voices or receive the benefit of their knowledge, but we have benefited from their service to the local chapters and the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri. We stand on all the shoulders of those who have carried on the work in our chapters over their many years of existence, and now we the living must carry on the work that they so diligently performed. May our efforts continue to build up and strengthen the Royal Arch Masons of Missouri.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, we call you by many names with our lips, some of which glorify your name others in which we take your name in vain. However, it is with our heart that we call upon you the most, for it is in our heart that our true name for you exists. Today we are gathered as companions and friends who have shared in working together over the years. Today, we realize that some who shared that work experience are no longer with us, but we give you thanks that we were able to share their lives and our lives together over a period of years. Each time we gather we do so out of bond of fellowship that has been forged by many years, and that fellowship still continues to this day. We ask that you will continue to guide our lives, and that we will nourish your world with the love and fellowship we have been given and experienced. Amen.

SURETY BOND

After my installation as Grand High Priest, I received from Most Excellent Companion Roy A. Welshon, a copy of Bond #127713, issued by Union Insurance Company, covering the Grand Secretary for \$15,000 and the Grand Treasurer for \$15,000. The Bond will be delivered to the new Grand High Priest following his installation.

VISITATIONS

It has been a pleasure to visit the chapters around the state. While I did not get to make as many visits as I would have liked, Betty and I were always received a very hearty welcome, and we really appreciated it. We also attended several sessions in other

jurisdictions and were treated royally. It has been a great experience to be able to meet so many wonderful people. It shall always be remembered. (A complete listing of official visits will be on file with the Grand Secretary and will not be listed herein.)

APPOINTMENTS

It was my pleasure to appoint the following Grand Officers for the 2003-2004 year:

Ralph E. Nolan	Grand Chaplain
Claude M. Eckert	Grand Sentinel
Chris M. Jessen	Grand Organist
Daniel R. Quesenberry	Grand Chorister
Calvin D. Schroff	Grand Lecturer
Robert Bray	Editor, Missouri Supplement Royal Arch Mason Magazine

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

I have nominated the following Companions as Grand Representative from other jurisdictions to the Grand Chapter of Missouri:

Claude M. Eckert	Alabama
Gerald J. Giammanco	Ontario
Lewis C. Odneal	Panama
Paul Tobias	Queensland, Australia
Dan Daniel	South Dakota

I appointed the following Companions as Grand Representatives of the Grand Chapter of Missouri near Grand Chapters of other jurisdictions:

Robert C. Simpson	Germany
Marlin D. Palasek	Nebraska
Daniel N. Evans	New York
Philip Raymond Borland	Ontario
Manuel C. Garcia	Philippines
Wayne D. Groce	Texas

CONSOLIDATIONS

The consolidation of Signet Chapter No. 68 with Wyoming Chapter No. 43 was approved on October 6, 2003.

The consolidation of St. Louis-Missouri Chapter No. 1 with St. Charles Chapter No. 111 was approved on February 18, 2004.

BY-LAWS

I have approved the following by-laws changes:

St. Louis-Missouri Chapter No. 1 - Election times

Springfield Chapter No. 15 - Meeting time

EDICTS

All Royal Arch Chapters within the state of Missouri are hereby granted a blanket dispensation to hold joint convocations, one with the other, and to move from their normal meeting places to those of the visited Chapter for the purpose of official visits of either the District Deputy Grand High Priest, District Deputy Grand Lecturer, or Grand High Priest, or for the purpose of conferring the Degrees of the Royal Arch. When such joint convocations occur, the membership of each Chapter must be notified in advance and in accordance with the by-laws in effect for each Chapter. It will not be necessary to obtain a separate dispensation each and every time, however, it will be necessary to inform the Grand High Priest and the Grand Secretary in advance of the event. This edict will be in effect until a new Grand High Priest is elected and installed.

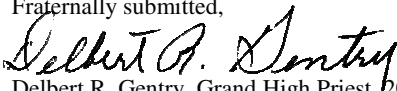
TIME CAPSULE

On October 1, 2003, I went to Branson, inspected the time capsule, and found it to be in very good condition. The monument, with all of the inscriptions, looked very nice. I would like to commend Bob Detherow for all the time and work he has given to get the monument and to have it installed. I would like to thank him very much.

CONDITION OF THE CRAFT

The reports indicate that we are still losing members at a rate of eight or nine percent. It is thought the average age of our members to be 71 years. So the grand reaper takes his toll every year, and we are not taking in enough new members to offset our losses. We just need to visit our blue lodges and sell our York Rite Bodies. I have appointed a long range planning committee, and they have given some good suggestions that maybe we can put to good use.

Fraternally submitted,



Delbert R. Gentry, Grand High Priest, 2003-2004

REC Walter W. Doyle assumed the East. It was moved and seconded that the report of the Grand High Priest be accepted and referred to the Committees on the Grand High Priest's Address and Jurisprudence for appropriate action.

Report Accepted, May 14, 2004

COMMUNICATIONS

Grand Secretary Sample stated that there were several communications from other grand jurisdictions and some of our Past Grand High Priests who extended to the Grand High Priest their apologies for not being able to be here at the session, but all congratulated him on a most successful year.

APPROVAL OF PROCEEDINGS

The Grand Secretary moved that the proceedings of the 2003 Annual Convocation be approved as printed and distributed with any necessary corrections to be printed in the 2004 proceedings.

Motion approved, May 14, 2004

The Grand Secretary moved that various reports contained in the 2004 preliminary proceedings be approved as printed and distributed subject to necessary corrections. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion approved, May 14, 2004

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

April 1, 2003 through May 31, 2004

COMPANIONS: All funds, with exception of the General Fund and Life Membership Fund (Commerce Bank, Special Account) and General Fund (Investor Services at Central Bank) are invested in banking institutions in Jefferson City. All accounts are interest bearing, with no service charges. Investments in common stock or equal securities in nationally known corporations traded on the New York Stock Exchange, as allowed by Sec. 44 of the By-Laws is being utilized (Commerce Bank, Special Account and Investor Services at Central Bank). Based on previous ledgers, general fund receipts and expenditures are being projected on a monthly basis, so as to keep investments at the highest practical level for the longest practical time frame.

I present herewith my report of the receipts, disbursements, and the financial condition of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri for the fiscal year, April 1, 2003 through May 31, 2004.

GENERAL FUND

Total Assets, March 31, 2003		\$	86,030.04
Receipts: Grand Secretary, etc.	\$ 61,610.91		
Interest Earned	605.18		
Increase in Market Value (Investors Services)	5,745.41		
Decrease in Market Value, etc. Commerce Bank Special Act.	(34.98)		
Total Receipts	\$ 67,926.52		
Disbursements: Jefferson Act. #58915 - #1388 thru 1404	\$ 7,990.31		
Jefferson Act. #74544 - #1248 thru 1436	49,926.75		
Jefferson Act. #74325 - #1072 thru 1121	1,558.69		
Jefferson Act. #463929 - Debits	1,121.80		
Total Disbursements:	\$ 60,597.55		
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:			7,328.97
Balance, General Fund, May 31, 2004		\$	93,359.01

Statement of Assets – General Fund

Investors Services (thru Central Bank-Jefferson City)	\$ 22,529.74		
Commerce Bank of Kansas City, Sub-Account #06846-00 (Market Value)	11,965.02		
American Balanced Fund (thru Premier Bank-Jefferson City)	10,000.00		
Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	46,537.60		
Interest Checking, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25%	1,652.83		
Interest Checking, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.27%	509.53		
Interest Checking, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25%	164.29		
Total Assets, General Fund, May 31, 2004		\$	93,359.01

GENERAL FUND (SPECIAL ACCOUNT)

Total Assets, March 31, 2003		\$	111,316.78
Receipts: Interest Earned	\$ 1,839.10		
Correction-5/18/01 Split-Exchange CD #3004485	247.48		
	\$ 2,086.58		
Total Disbursements	\$ 0.00		
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:			2,086.58
Balance, General Fund (Special Account), May 31, 2004		\$	113,403.36

Statement of Assets – General Fund (Special Account)

C.D. #181367, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 2.40%, Due 4/18/05	\$ 30,721.96		
C.D. #187086, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 2.25%, Due 3/3/06	41,000.00		
C.D. #1561, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 3.10%, Due 4/18/06	20,620.77		
C.D. #187087, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 2.95%, Due 3/3/07	21,060.63		
Total Assets, Retirement Fund, May 31, 2004		\$	113,403.36

TRIENNIAL FUND

Total Assets, March 31, 2003		\$	0.00
Receipts: From General Fund	\$ 438.62		
Interest Earned	0.48		
Total Receipts	\$ 439.10		
Disbursements:	\$ 0.00		
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements			\$ 439.10
Balance, Triennial Fund, May 31, 2004		\$	439.10

Statement of Assets – Triennial Fund

Total Assets, Triennial Fund, May 31, 2004		\$	439.10
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LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

Total Assets, March 31, 2003		\$ 77,603.88
Receipts: Memberships (10)	\$ 3,003.05	
Interest Earned	1,999.76	
Increase in Market Value, etc. Commerce Bank Special Act.	<u>3,852.55</u>	
Total Receipts	\$ 8,855.36	
Disbursements: 2003 Earnings Distribution	\$ 4,353.27	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:		<u>\$ 4,502.09</u>
Balance, Life Membership Fund, April 15, 2004		\$ 82,105.97

Statement of Assets – Life Membership Fund

Commerce Bank of Kansas City, Sub-Account #06846-00 (Market Value)	\$ 39,702.56	
C.D. #2968, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 6.40%, Due 11/24/04	7,943.59	
C.D. #3000980, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 6.90%, Due 11/24/05	7,578.06	
C.D. #2690, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 2.23%, Due 2/27/06	16,791.83	
C.D. #2691, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 2.92%, Due 2/27/07	8,359.76	
Business Investment Act. Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	1,508.76	
Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	<u>221.41</u>	
Total Assets, Life Membership Fund (Market Value, etc.), May 31, 2004		\$ 82,105.97

FOUNDATION FUND

Total Assets, March 31, 2003		\$129,299.98
Receipts: Interest earned	\$ 7,569.96	
Disbursements to Charities	\$ 5,050.00	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements		<u>\$ 2,519.96</u>
Balance, Foundation Account, May 31, 2004		\$131,819.94

Statement of Assets – Foundation Fund

C.D. #3331, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 6.95%, Due 3/31/05	\$ 28,793.57	
C.D. #6132, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 2.50%, Due 4/10/05	15,376.51	
C.D. #6279, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 2.25%, Due 3/31/06	14,000.00	
C.D. #3004760, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 5.41%, Due 4/3/06	25,768.21	
C.D. #95010, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 3.30%, Due 4/10/06	7,231.64	
C.D. #6280, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 2.95%, Due 3/31/07	6,000.00	
C.D. #91238, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 5.20%, Due 4/6/07	24,350.81	
Insured Money Market Act. Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	<u>10,299.20</u>	
Total Assets, Foundation Account, May 31, 2004		\$131,819.94

RITUAL FUND

Total Assets, March 31, 2003		\$ 2,898.20
Receipts: Grand Secretary, etc.	\$ 1,340.00	
Interest Earned	<u>36.54</u>	
Total Receipts	\$ 1,376.54	
Total Disbursements	\$ 0.00	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:		<u>\$ 1,376.54</u>
Balance, Ritual Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 4,274.74

Statement of Assets – Ritual Fund

Prime Advantage Act. Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	\$ <u>4,274.74</u>	
Total Assets, Ritual Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 4,274.74
Total Assets, All Funds, May 31, 2004		\$425,402.12

Fraternally Submitted,
Donald L. Trabue, Grand Treasurer

REPORTS OF GRAND SECRETARY

Summary

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions, the membership records are getting closer to those reported by Chapter Secretaries. Our records differ from secretaries by about 620. Many secretaries are still not providing us with accurate membership records—meaning that they do not have them themselves. Joyce is working with them each and every day to try to get these numbers together. It is extremely important that secretaries keep accurate records of their membership to include full names, addresses, phone numbers, degree dates (all of them, not just the Royal Arch), and keep up with suspensions and reinstatements, dimits, etc. It is also extremely important that they report any changes in their membership as soon as it happens, not just during the annual return. We have about half of the secretaries that keep us up to date with that information and we thank them for their hard work.

There is a situation with the membership database hired to be developed for the Grand York Rite. The vendor hired has refused to provide us with the application developed, work with us to move the membership records over, and has gone out of business. Legal action is taking place at this time.

At the time of this communication, we are still waiting on annual returns from Hannibal No. 7, Linn No. 41, Clinton No. 73, and Kingsway No. 144. There is an effort underway by the Grand and Regional Grand Officers to get Linn No. 41 and Clinton No. 73 consolidated with another chapter.

Fifteen annual reports were late this year, the last being received on April 29. The continued tardiness of these reports makes it impossible for us to provide the membership numbers needed to develop budgets and long-range goals for the Grand Chapter. Chapter High Priests, District Deputy Grand High Priests, and the Grand Officers are now being informed of these delinquencies.

Liberty Chapter No. 3 has still refused to pay late fees for 2000, 2001, and 2002. All other Chapters are working with this office to complete their annual return fees.

The reports on chapter audits and bonds can be found in the tabular statements of chapters. Annual audits are good for the most part, but some chapters simply refuse to complete the annual audit. Chapter reports still identify that monies of the chapters are not deposited in accounts with at least two signatures.

Signet Chapter No. 68 consolidated with Wyoming Chapter No. 43 on October 6, 2003. St. Louis-Missouri Chapter No. 1 consolidated with St. Charles Chapter No. 111 on February 18, 2004. They requested a name change to St. Charles Missouri Chapter No. 1. Since the consolidation included a name change, the consolidation will become effective when the charter is issued under the new name on May 14, 2004.

The 2003 proceedings appear to be in good order with only minor corrections noted. The CD version of those proceedings will be available during this Grand Session and will be mailed to other jurisdictions this summer. The cost of the printed and CD versions of the proceedings was expected to save the Grand Chapter money. It is estimated that this savings was not as much as expected, about \$750.00 over all. The only difference being that it will save us about 75% in postage for distribution of the CDs over the books. The book printing will continue to see and increase in cost of about 10% per year regardless of what we do. We only printed 380 books this year as opposed to the usual 550. The 380 accounts for one copy for each Chapter, Council, Commandery, grand officer and

committee chairman. Although I feel it is the responsibility of the Grand York Rite to see that each of these organizations and representatives gets a copy, the only other way of reducing the numbers is change the current distribution. That being said, the cost in printing is not so significantly tied to the number of books printed, but the layout and press time. We either need to accept this recurring cost and continue to publish a professional document in which we can be proud of, or do as other jurisdictions have done and distribute the document in a different “less professional” document. There are always ways of saving money if we can live with our reduced standards of representation. It is my feeling that we should maintain our current standards of highly professional representation of the Grand York Rite of Missouri in its officers, its publications, and the way we do business in general. When we lose those things, we are no longer what we profess to be. We all owe a debt of thanks to Russell S. Hanson for his work in preparing the CD version of the proceedings, saving the Grand York Rite even more money. His report follows the conclusion of this report.

Joyce and I thank the Grand High Priest, his lady, and all the grand officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri for a most enjoyable and productive year. It has been a distinct pleasure to work with MEC Gentry. We also thank Teddie Harrison for his continued support of this office in his donation of paper; and a very special word of thanks goes to Paul Cannon who has so graciously given of his time and money to volunteer in the office and assist with a great many things in the day to day operations of the Grand York Rite. We thank all those who volunteer their time to help with the Grand York Rite Session—we could not do it without them. We all look forward to working with each and every one in the future.

I will close with this little quote:

If the Secretary writes a letter, it is too long;
 If he sends a postal, it's too short.
 If he sends out a notice, he's a spendthrift;
 If he doesn't send a notice, he is lazy.
 If he attends a committee meeting, he is butting in;
 If he stays away, he is a shirker.
 If he duns the members for dues, he is insulting;
 If he fails to collect the dues, he is slipping.
 If he asks for advice, he is incompetent;
 And if he does not, he is bull-headed.
 If he writes his reports complete, they are too long;
 If he condenses them, they are incomplete.
 If he talks on a subject, he is trying to run things;
 If he remains quite, he has lost interest in the institution.
 Ashes to ashes, dust to dust,
 If the others won't do it, the Secretary must.

- Exchange

SUPPLEMENTAL**REPORT ON 2003 OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS CD PROJECT**

Dear Companion and Sir Knight Sample,

Per our conversation on April 30, 2004, here is a brief report on the 2003 Official Proceedings CD Project. On March 23, 2004, I contacted Disc Makers and spoke to Mr. Todd Bailey about the CD Project. He recommended glass-mastered CD-ROMs instead of CD-Rs. The \$825.00 cost for 500 CD-ROMs included 3-color silkscreen printing, paper sleeves, shipping and handling. Last year I estimated that reproduction costs would be about \$2.00 per item. I can now happily report that the actual cost per item will be \$1.65. Though time is getting tight, it remains my hope to receive the order prior to the Grand Session.

The cost of this project does not include the time and effort to prepare the CD master and the artwork for the surface printing. While Disc Makers could have handled the authoring and layout, I performed those tasks in order to control the cost to the Grand York Rite. We need to thank my friend Mr. Todd Houts for the generous use of his Apple Titanium notebook computer and his copy of the industry-standard graphics software Adobe Illustrator CS. I want to thank him for all of the support and encouragement that he gave me during that phase of the project. Creating the layout was a challenge (Illustrator is often called Intimidator), but very satisfying.

Authoring the CD master was easier than last year's proof-of-concept prototype due to all of the work that the Grand York Rite Office and General Printing Service did during the preparation of the printed proceedings. The Adobe Portable Document file (.pdf) provided by General Printing at no additional charge was an exact computer-readable version of the printed book. Utilizing the techniques developed last year, I had no problem creating an interactive version of the proceedings using Microsoft Word 2003 and Adobe Acrobat 5 on my HP a320n computer.

With what I have learned this year, I believe next year's job will be much easier. In fact, I have already prepared artwork for both the 2004 and 2005 Official Proceedings CD-ROMs. As they say once you invent the wheel, the rest is easy. I hope this report is sufficient for your needs. If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

Fraternally,
Russell S. Hanson

SECRETARY/RECORDER CONFERENCE AND TRAINING

On May 14, 2004 at 5:30 p.m., the Grand Secretary/Recorder conducted the second annual Secretary/Recorder conference and training program. The intent of the program was to educate and train new Secretaries and Recorders as well as provide needed and requested guidance by some of the veteran Secretaries and Recorders. The conference was very well received, well attended and will be continued in the future as requested.

Those attending the conference were:

Kevin B. Sample, Grand Secretary/Recorder, Centralia Council No. 34

Joyce A. Sample, Administrative Assistant

Robert Brizendine, East Gate York Rite Bodies

Thomas C. Yunick, Kirksville York Rite Bodies
 Paul R. Cannon, Rolla York Rite Bodies
 Timothy Munday, Trenton York Rite Bodies
 Larry T. Odom, Trenton York Rite Bodies
 Marvin Frost, Carthage York Rite Bodies
 C.C. McLemore, III, Greenfield Chapter No. 38, Constantine Commandery No. 27
 Mark S. Schroer, Lexington York Rite Bodies
 Steven M. Anderson, Kansas City York Rite Bodies
 Kenneth Fousek, Excelsior Springs York Rite Bodies
 Vernon Pogue, Jr., Neosho York Rite Bodies
 Bill A. Humble, Poplar Bluff York Rite Bodies
 James A. Nunn, Vincil Chapter No. 110 and Bert S. Lee Council No. 58
 Robert G. Bird, Springfield York Rite Bodies
 Albert E. Folds, Lebanon York Rite Bodies
 Fred F. Stuecken, Moberly Chapter No. 79 and Tancred Commandery No. 25
 Kevin E. Weaver, Mt. Nebo Chapter No. 148, Jeremiah Council No. 48, and
 Ascalon Commandery No. 16
 Harry C. Reed, Jr., St. Charles Missouri Chapter No. 1
 Edgar D. Piles, Oriental Chapter No. 78
 Russell S. Hanson, Columbia Chapter No. 17 and St. Graal Commandery No. 12

Again, I thank Russell S. Hanson for his assistance and the use of his personal equipment. He developed most of the program and he is a great asset when it comes to presenting ideas for the training. Some expressed their appreciation of this training and regrettably, some simply left before it was completed. Although many do, some Secretaries and Records simply do not appreciate the significance of their role in their respective York Rite organizations. It is hopeful that those who could not attend this year's training will be available in 2005.

APPRECIATION

I would be remiss in my duties if I did not give special thanks to EC's William R. Brantley, Russell S. Hanson, and Michael Wallis of Columbia York Rite Bodies for their tireless efforts to assist the Grand Secretary during the Grand Sessions. This year, we picked up an additional inspiration to both Joyce and I, that of Paul R. Cannon of Owensville. Paul has helped us out tremendously by volunteering his time in the office and helping us during the Grand Sessions. I thank them all for all that they do. I thank Joyce Amanda for keeping me grounded and under control. Finally, we continue to thank EC Teddie E. Harrison for his continued support of this office and supply of many needed items throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,


 Kevin B. Sample, Grand Secretary



STATISTICS

(As of April 1, 2004)

Number of Chartered Chapters		66
Number of Members, December 31, 2002		6673
Number Exalted	102	
Number Affiliated	95	
Number Reinstated	34	
Total Gains		231
Number Dimitted	121	
Number Suspended By Chapter NPD	265	
Number Suspended by Lodge	20	
Number Expelled	0	
Number Died	241	
Total Losses		559
Total Members, December 31, 2003		6266
Net Loss		407

CERTIFICATES

2003-2004 Chapter 25-year Certificates Issued

Name	Chapter	No.	Exalted	Issued
Jones, Culus L.	Keystone	146	10-May-78	30-May-03
Major, Wallace T.	Rolla	32	24-Oct-77	11-Jun-03
Pile, Jr., Thomas North	Rolla	32	16-May-78	11-Jun-03
Wiggins, John D.	Rolla	32	23-Apr-77	11-Jun-03
Neighbors, William James	Rolla	32	7-Dec-78	15-Sep-03
Bledsoe, Thomas Michael	Mexico	27	22-Feb-75	22-Sep-03
Fenton, Charles Thomas	Mexico	27	23-Apr-78	22-Sep-03
Hodges, Bruce Calvin	Mexico	27	21-Jun-75	22-Sep-03
Hodges, Robert Thomas	Mexico	27	23-Apr-77	22-Sep-03
Oliver, Stephen J.	Mexico	27	23-Apr-77	22-Sep-03
Oliver, William Thornton	Mexico	27	14-Apr-73	22-Sep-03
Thompson, Harold Richard	Mexico	27	19-Jun-76	22-Sep-03
Wagner, Larry D.	Mexico	27	23-Apr-77	22-Sep-03
Ashinhurst, Jr., Lee Roy	Lexington	10	3-Aug-68	4-Dec-03
Backs, Forrest R.	Lexington	10	1-Jun-54	4-Dec-03
Beard, William T.	Lexington	10	24-Oct-64	4-Dec-03
Bennett, Gary L.	Lexington	10	3-Aug-68	4-Dec-03
Brooks, Arly H.	Lexington	10	4-Apr-49	4-Dec-03
Cohrs, Jr., William H.	Lexington	10	21-May-59	4-Dec-03
Creason, Walter Ray	Lexington	10	7-Jun-66	4-Dec-03
Dye, Ralph L.	Lexington	10	11-Nov-78	4-Dec-03
Eastridge, III, William R.	Lexington	10	14-Oct-67	4-Dec-03
Hensevelt, James A.	Lexington	10	6-Dec-63	4-Dec-03
Jiovenale, James	Lexington	10	1-May-70	4-Dec-03

2003-2004 Chapter 25-year Certificates Issued, Continued

Name	Chapter	No.	Exalted	Issued
Lang, Russell H.	Lexington	10	1-May-70	4-Dec-03
Lankford, Daniel Clinton	Lexington	10	5-Jun-56	4-Dec-03
Lieneke, Clinton Oscar	Lexington	10	7-Apr-62	4-Dec-03
Miller, Seymour	Lexington	10	1-Apr-58	4-Dec-03
Murry, Thomas Douglas	Lexington	10	1-May-70	4-Dec-03
Nadler, Kenneth Arlie	Lexington	10	29-Sep-62	4-Dec-03
Neidig, Jerry Wayne	Lexington	10	11-May-74	4-Dec-03
Rhodes, Robert Charles	Lexington	10	4-Sep-65	4-Dec-03
Robertson, Hershel H.	Lexington	10	14-Nov-59	4-Dec-03
Rodenberg, Delbert E.	Lexington	10	7-Apr-66	4-Dec-03
Schaberg, Robert B.	Lexington	10	29-Sep-62	4-Dec-03
Skelton, Jr., Issac Newton	Lexington	10	1-Apr-58	4-Dec-03
Snyder, Richard O.	Lexington	10	22-Oct-57	4-Dec-03
Thee, Joseph C.	Lexington	10	7-Jul-66	4-Dec-03
Thomas, Richard B.	Lexington	10	7-Apr-62	4-Dec-03
Van Zandt, Richard Cole	Lexington	10	4-Jan-57	4-Dec-03
Wilson, Billy Lee	Lexington	10	8-Nov-69	4-Dec-03
Wims, Larry J.	Lexington	10	11-Nov-78	4-Dec-03
Winningham, James D.	Lexington	10	7-Apr-62	4-Dec-03
Burnette, Robert	Keystone	146	7-Oct-78	19-Feb-04
McNail, Johnny A.	Keystone	146	10-May-78	19-Feb-04
Monken, Louis L.	Keystone	146	7-Oct-78	19-Feb-04
Neighbors, William James	Keystone	146	7-Dec-78	19-Feb-04
Dothage, Delmar E.	Lexington	10	9-Jun-79	27-Apr-04

2003-2004 Chapter 50-Year Certificates (and Special Certificates) Issued

Name	Chapter	No.	Exalted	Issued
Wilkerson, Robert M.	St. Louis-Missouri	1	28-Mar-50	7-Jul-03
Keltner, Herald E.	George Washington	24	5-Apr-46	15-Sep-03
Lavery, Frederick Gustin	Rolla	32	18-Apr-50	15-Sep-03
Fleischmann, August Charles	Lexington	10	30-Oct-53	18-Sep-03
Wilson, Martin Newman	Rolla	32	12-Oct-53	27-Sep-03
Hunzinger, Melvin Lee	Jefferson City	34	28-Oct-53	7-Oct-03
Trigg, Jr., Charles D.	Jefferson City	34	28-Oct-53	7-Oct-03
Gowin, Bob Eugene	Independence	12	29-Apr-53	8-Oct-03
McClaran, Jr., Ray E.	Independence	12	29-Apr-53	8-Oct-03
Lane, Marvin W.	George Washington	24	30-Nov-53	4-Nov-03
Wilson, Jr., Wayne E.	Bellefontaine	25	23-Nov-53	23-Nov-03
Engle, Jr., Hugh C.	Shelbina	99	8-Dec-53	24-Nov-03
Hegg, Herbert J.	St. Charles	111	24-Mar-53	24-Nov-03
Noel, James R.	Shelbina	99	8-Dec-53	24-Nov-03
Poecker, Edward P.	California	58	28-Nov-53	28-Nov-03
Overman, John M.	Independence	12	8-Oct-53	31-Dec-03
Barnes, Charles D.	Albany	116	11-May-51	8-Jan-04
Davis, Harold V.	Albany	116	11-May-51	8-Jan-04
Kling, Jr., G. Fred (55 yrs)	Albany	116	26-Mar-48	8-Jan-04
Lawrence, Thomas E. (58 yrs)	Albany	116	7-Apr-44	8-Jan-04
Manring, Gordon M.	Albany	116	24-Oct-52	8-Jan-04
Patton, John M. (59 yrs)	Albany	116	21-Apr-44	8-Jan-04
Ross, Winfield S. (58 yrs)	Albany	116	25-Oct-45	8-Jan-04
Steinman, G. Oren	Albany	116	24-Oct-52	8-Jan-04
Comstock, Jack C.	Vincil	110	10-Mar-53	15-Jan-04
Simpson, Robert E.	Vincil	110	19-Feb-54	15-Jan-04
Smith, Charles E.	Vincil	110	24-Mar-53	15-Jan-04
Jones, Ray F.	Mitchell	14	20-Oct-49	2-Feb-04
Rowe, Valton L.	Poplar Bluff	114	16-Mar-54	20-Feb-04
Donnohue, Harry Owen	Mexico	27	8-Nov-49	27-Feb-04
McLemore, III, C. C.	Greenfield	38	3-Apr-54	9-Mar-04
Gillespie, George Thomas	Albany	116	28-Mar-54	16-Mar-04
Boettcher, William A.	Triune	93	6-Apr-54	17-Mar-04
Houf, Harry H.	Triune	93	6-Apr-54	17-Mar-04
Eastridge, Paul B. (36 yrs)	Lexington	10	14-Oct-67	31-Mar-04
Ried, John C.	Rabboni	131	13-Oct-51	31-Mar-04
Schwab, Maurice J. (49 yrs)	Lexington	10	27-Dec-54	31-Mar-04
Backs, Forest R.	Lexington	10	1-Jun-54	27-Apr-04
Lee, Gene R.	Vincil	110	15-May-54	27-Apr-04
White, Arthur L.	Vincil	110	15-May-54	27-Apr-04
Staton, Edmund L.	George Washington	24	13-Feb-52	5-May-04

RECAPITULATION

Income	Budgeted	Actual	Balance
Per Capita, Membership 6,169 @ \$7.50	\$ 42,750.00	\$ 44,468.05	\$ 1,718.05
Per Capita, Life Membership	1,500.00	5,935.82	4,435.82
Exaltation Fees, 50 @ \$10.00	500.00	1,020.00	520.00
Interest on Investments	1,340.00	6,315.61	4,975.61
Miscellaneous	250.00	509.31	259.31
Total	46,340.00	58,248.79	11,908.79
Salaries and Allowances			
Grand High Priest Expense	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
Grand Treasurer	500.00	500.00	0.00
Grand Secretary	10,500.00	10,500.00	0.00
Clerical Assistant	7000.00	7000.00	0.00
Social Security & Medicare	1,338.75	1,338.80	0.05
Employment Security	70.00	42.60	27.40
Total	23,058.75	22,881.40	177.35
Appropriations			
Postage	1,150.00	1,529.00	(379.00)
Office Expenses (*Amended by Committee/GHP)	1,800.00	2,951.68	(1,151.68)
Proceedings, Printing	2,500.00	2,596.23	(96.23)
Ritual Committee	150.00	0.00	150.00
Grand Officer Expense	450.00	367.50	82.50
Education	100.00	0.00	100.00
Royal Arch Magazine	7,800.00	7,675.61	124.39
Editor, Royal Arch Magazine	50.00	50.00	0.00
Storage Rent	1,064.00	1,283.00	(219.00)
Past Grand High Priest Jewel	300.00	248.67	51.33
Equipment, Maintenance & Repair	1,550.00	1,859.33	(309.33)
Triennial Fund (7341 @ \$0.07)	490.00	438.62	51.38
Per Capita to General Grand Chapter (7341 @ \$0.45)	3,015.00	3,017.25	(2.25)
Miscellaneous	250.00	178.74	71.26
Convocation Expense	4,000.00	2,747.65	1,252.35
Forum Expense	100.00	0.00	100.00
Insurance	300.00	103.00	197.00
Internal Audit	250.00	0.00	250.00
RARA Promotion	200.00	133.40	66.60
Total	25,419.00	25,179.68	239.32
Income	46,340.00	58,248.79	11,908.79
Salaries and Allowances	23,058.75	22,881.40	177.35
Appropriations	25,419.00	25,179.68	239.32
Income over Expenses	(2,137.75)	10,187.71	12,325.46

GRAND SECRETARY'S TABULAR STATEMENT OF CHAPTERS, DECEMBER 31, 2003

No.	Chapter	Location	Chartered	EIN	High Priest	King	Scribe	Secretary
1	St. Louis-Missouri	St. Louis	September 18, 1826	23-7526764	Rex A. Dix	James G. Keethler	Richard R. Grisham	Theodore Buckwick
2	Palmyra	at large	September 14, 1848	23-7526765				Kevin B. Sample
3	Liberty	Liberty	October 16, 1847	43-0968049	George H. Lovett	Ted C. Talbert	Marshall R. Welch	Virgil L. Bailey
4	Weston	Weston	October 16, 1847	23-7526767	John D. Parsons	James Sackman	Marion Shafer	Joseph H. Collison
5	Bolivar	Bolivar	October 4, 1877	23-7526768	Darrell R. Woolley	Elwayne W. Harris	Glenn D. Stewart	Leland C. Pyle
7	Hannibal	Hannibal	May 24, 1861	23-7526769	William Snell		Benjamin Buss	J. R. Latta
10	Lexington	Lexington	October 13, 1848	43-0160306	Kenneth A. Nadler	William H. Fantz	Delmar E. Dothage	Mark S. Schroer
12	Independence	Independence	October 13, 1848	23-7526773	Ronald M. Hickey	Ralph E. Nolan	W. Donald Meinsen	Emerson O. Brown
14	Mitchell	St. Joseph	May 23, 1849	23-7526774	Carl W. Bryan	William Maugh	Lance T. Lovejoy	William W. Mier
15	Springfield	Springfield	May 16, 1851	44-0443935	Stephen D. Walker	Gary L. Renskin	Dale A. Garner	Robert G. Bird
17	Columbia	Columbia	October 10, 1867	23-7526776	Michael L. Wallis	William R. Brantley	James G. Wade	Russell S. Hanson
18	Sedalia	Sedalia	October 10, 1867	23-7526777	Roy D. DeHaven	Roy E. Talbott	Hubert R. Butler	Allen B. Bess
22	Macon	Macon	May 23, 1854	23-7526780	Ronald L. Perkins	Warren E. McDaniel	James W. Clardy	Russell D. Kohl
24	George Washington	Carrollton	May 23, 1856	23-7137506	Roy B. Staton	Otto W. Boelsen	Travis A. Graham	John W. Burnside
25	Bellefontaine	Hazelwood	May 23, 1856	43-6034804	Paul C. Neuenkirk	Kirby T. Moreland	Charles Prongue	Richard J. Holmes
26	DeMolay	Warrensburg	October 10, 1867	23-7526782	Michael Sutton	Lee Winnie	Farrell Sexson	Glen E. Henness
27	Mexico	Mexico	May 22, 1858	43-6048096	Donald E. Fairley	Gene C. Berck	Richard Mills	Jared A. Price
28	Kansas City	Kansas City	May 19, 1859	23-7137508	Yale Turnham	Jerry Snyder	Roy N. Thomas	Steven M. Anderson
30	Lone Star	Chillicothe	May 19, 1859	43-1309199	Bobby R. O'Dell	Norman Gregg	Timothy D. Munday	Bert R. Williams
32	Rolla	Rolla	May 24, 1866	23-7137509	William C. Woolley	James D. Smallwood	Wayne B. Fryer	Paul R. Cannon
33	Cope Stone	DeSoto	October 4, 1877	23-7526785	Alanzo Hudson	Francis Collins	Bob W. Miller	Roy A. Welshon
34	Jefferson City	Jefferson City	May 24, 1866	23-7382601	Andrew L. Wyatt	Larry D. Wyatt, Sr.	Harold F. Coats	Robert L. Hudson
38	Greenfield	Greenfield	October 8, 1868	23-7137510	John W. Shoemaker	Richard D. McMasters	William R. Probst	C. C. McLeMore III
41*	Linn	Brookfield	October 8, 1868	23-7526789				
43	Wyoming	Pleasant Hill	October 8, 1868	23-7526790	Richard L. Alexander	Donald K. Beasley	Jackie E. Timmons	James Lospelch
* No Annual Return received since 2000								

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No.	Chapter	Location	Chartered	EIN	High Priest	King	Scribe	Secretary
49	Orion	Fulton	October 7, 1869	23-7382600	Frank Hazelrigg	Edward Clawson		Clayton Paul
52	Tyrian	Neosho	October 7, 1869	23-7189747	Robert D. Randell	Henry A. Freund	LeRoy Baird	Vernon K. Pogue, Jr.
53	Caldwell	Kirkville	October 7, 1869	43-0203985	Clyde F. Bondy	Ed M. Norman	Rick Mansfield	William L. Sanders
55	Ralls	Center	October 6, 1870	23-7526795	Robert F. Ford	none	Charles W. Strode	Louis J. Botts
56	Nevada	Nevada	October 6, 1870	23-7526796	Ronald L. Sibley	James J. Ogle	Charles E. Morlan	Gary Jones
58	California	California	October 6, 1870	23-7526797	Steve Liebi	Ed Puecker	Kenneth Jones	Stephen C. Derendinger
61	Meridian Sun	Carthage	October 6, 1870	23-7526799	Christopher C. McLemore	Bill D. Henson	James O. Loomis	Marvin W. Frost
64	Lebanon	Lebanon	October 6, 1870	23-7526800	Harold J. McClellan	James C. Morgan	Gregory V. Sullivan	Albert E. Folds
66	Trenton	Trenton	October 6, 1870	23-7526801	Larry Odom	Don Peyton	Lionel Dean	Michael Moore
68	Signet (cons w/43 10/6/03)	Harrisonville	October 6, 1870	23-7526803				
73*	Clinton	Clinton	October 7, 1875	23-7526806				
75	Wilson	Cape Girardeau	October 11, 1872	23-7526808	Jerry W. Hampton, Sr.	James E. Tilley	John G. Frye, Jr.	Cecil O. Blaylock
78	Oriental	Webster Groves	October 9, 1873	43-0443570	Rudolph Buec, Jr.	Marion Briggs	Richard Dumont	Edgar D. Piles
79	Moberly	Moberly	October 9, 1873	23-7333922	James V. Rockenfield	Max L. Borron	Wynnan R. Ray	Fred F. Stuecken
80	Bethany	Bethany	October 9, 1873	23-7526812	James Everly	Raymon Preston	Robert Galkway	John Thrailkill
86	Pike	Louisiana	October 7, 1875	23-7137511	Kenneth H. Ward	Lawrence T. Strode	John N. Sitton	William F. Strode
90	George Frank Gouley	Appleton City	October 10, 1878	23-7137512	David Stauch	Floyd Culver	Sam Balsiger	Chris Green
91	Joplin	Joplin	May 7, 1880	23-7526814	Gary A. Phillips	J. H. Lawson	Steven G. Ruch	Jack D. Brown
93	Triune	Montgomery City	May 5, 1881	23-7080440	LeRoy D. Raber	Thomas L. Cahall	David W. Barker	Verle T. Naughton
94	Fayette	Fayette	May 5, 1881	23-7526815	Lewis C. O'neal	Willard A. Warford	Robert J. Warford	Robert H. Bray
96*	Owens	Maryville	May 4, 1882	23-7526816				
99	Shelbina	Shelbina	May 3, 1883	43-1178441	Carl W. Lasswell	Harley L. Kropf	Clement Gunn	Darrell A. Wilham
101	Lamar	Lamar	April 27, 1849	23-7526818	Ted W. Blanchard	Billy 'Jack' Davis	Jack Noll	Floyd G. Eaves
102	Orient	Kansas City	May 3, 1883	44-0415645	Junny R. Douthitt	Corey B. Huntsucker	Brent D. Wilson	Kirk McDaniel, Jr.
110	Vincil	Springfield	May 10, 1888	44-0506699	Aaron D. Jones	Clark A. McLemore	Robert A. Anderson	James A. Nunn

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111	St. Charles	St. Charles	April 25, 1889	23-7526822	Harry C. Reed, Jr.	Ronald J. Thompson	Ronald E. Avery	Harry C. Reed, Jr.
114	Poplar Bluff	Poplar Bluff	April 27, 1893	23-7526825	Thomas R. Huff	James R. Tinker, Sr.	Michael F. Hollifield	Bill A. Humble
116	Albany	Albany	April 22, 1897	44-6014761	Kenneth Kent	William G. Karnes	Jerry Cook	James Gibbany
118	Marceline	Marceline	April 26, 1900	23-7137514	Edwin L. Smith	Bob Cupp	Roger Cupp	Ivan Buckman
123	Putnam	Unionville	April 26, 1905	23-7526829	Donald C. Noland	Ronald E. Smith	Melvin Hall	Loren D. Lloyd
127	Excelsior	Excelsior Springs	April 24, 1907	23-7526831	Jimmy T. Baker	Kenneth R. O'Dell	Ernest J. Wartonbee	Kenneth S. Fousek
129	Uel-Midian	Bonne Terre	April 28, 1909	23-7526833	Lee L. Francis	James L. Woodfin, Jr.	Thomas E. Howell	Steven C. Monrotus
131	Rabboni	Webster Groves	April 23, 1913	23-7526835	Larry D. Tindle	James W. Woods	Emory J. Hampel	Jack E. Durham
136	East Gate	Kansas City	April 12, 1922	23-7526839	Forrest G. Lowe	Gerald V. Phillips	Orville Newberry	Robert W. Brizendine
137	Mountain Grove	Mountain Grove	April 12, 1922	23-7526840	M. Ramsey Bearden	John Burton	Sam Quessenberry	E. Joe Slater
139	William F. Kuhn	Kansas City	April 23, 1923	23-7526842	Melvin L. Tacke	Sergio Martinez, Sr.	Quinten D. Hinton	Delbert Loren Taylor
141	Centennial	Portageville	April 22, 1947	23-7526843	Charles A. Penman	James D. Grable	Arblean McHugh	Robert J. McAlister
142	Mt. Washington	Independence	April 11, 1947	35-2183448	David C. Witte	William G. Snyder	Michael L. Cumutt	C. Keith Wilkinson
144	Kingsway	Sikeston	April 25, 1956	23-7526846				
145	Grandview	Grandview	April 25, 1958	23-7526847	Michael R. Lundeen	Jack Clark	Joe Corbin	Roy N. Thomas
146	Keystone	Mehlville	April 27, 1959	23-7149433	David L. Buscher	James Elam	Wilfred G. Soutiea, Jr.	Thomas T. Herek
148	Mt. Nebo	Robertsville	April 29, 1975	51-0180560	Kurtis J. Steern	Paul R. Cannon	Robert L. Sanders	Kevin E. Weaver
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1	St. Louis-Missouri	4th Tues in Sept	2nd & 4th Tuesday	29-Jan-04	120	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	11	13	23	4	108	104	
2	Palmyra	N/A	N/A	31-Jan-04	18	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	19	17	
3	Liberty	3rd Mon in May	3rd Monday	1-Apr-04	258	3	0	3	6	0	0	0	0	10	10	9	21	254	233	
4	Weston	4th Thur in Dec	4th Thursday	31-Jan-04	107	1	0	1	2	2	2	0	0	3	7	9	4	102	98	
5	Bolivar	3rd Wed in Dec	3rd Wednesday	31-Jan-04	81	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	3	6	1	81	80	
7	Hannibal	1st Thurs in Oct	1st Tuesday	9-Jul-04	40	0	0	0	0	0	1	19	0	0	6	26	6	0	14	14
10	Lexington	2nd Tues in Dec	2nd Tuesday	28-Jan-04	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	11	2	61	59	
12	Independence	2nd Thurs in April	2nd Thursday	28-Jan-04	266	7	3	2	12	1	13	1	0	9	24	18	14	254	240	
14	Mitchell	1st Wed in Dec.	1st Wednesday	20-Jan-04	332	6	0	2	8	1	24	0	0	8	33	45	21	307	286	
15	Springfield	4th Mon in April	4th Monday	29-Jan-04	392	11	1	4	16	0	17	0	0	14	31	41	15	377	362	
17	Columbia	2nd Mon in Nov	2nd Monday	23-Feb-04	152	4	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	10	13	21	17	143	126	
18	Sedalia	1st Tues in Nov	1st Tuesday	30-Jan-04	81	0	0	3	3	0	1	0	0	11	12	11	3	72	69	
22	Macon	1st Thurs in Nov	1st Thursday	2-Feb-04	42	1	0	3	4	1	1	1	0	0	3	4	0	43	43	
24	George Washington	2nd Mon in Dec	2nd Monday	31-Jan-04	76	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	7	0	73	73		
25	Bellefontaine	3rd Mon in Oct	3rd Monday	24-Jan-04	55	2	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	6	8	4	15	49	34	
26	DeMolay	2nd Mon in April	2nd Monday	31-Jan-04	68	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	2	7	4	5	61	56	
27	Mexico	2nd Tues in Dec	2nd Tuesday expt. Dec	28-Jan-04	62	5	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	1	2	14	7	65	58	
28	Kansas City	3rd Mon in May	3rd Monday	29-Feb-04	182	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	23	2	173	171	
30	Lone Star	4th Mon in Nov	4th Monday, quarterly	19-Feb-04	83	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	3	5	6	79	77	
32	Rolla	1st Mon in March	1st Monday	7-Jan-04	178	9	1	0	10	4	10	0	0	3	17	11	26	171	145	
33	Cope Stone	3rd Thur in Nov	3rd Thursday	23-Jan-04	49	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	3	1	2	47	45	
34	Jefferson City	2nd Mon in April	2nd Monday	29-Jan-04	167	2	0	0	2	1	7	1	0	9	18	32	7	151	144	
38	Greenfield	1st Wed in Dec	1st Wednesday	31-Jan-04	46	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	6	8	46	38	
41*	Linn				49				0						0		0	49	49	
43	Wyoming	1st Mon in March	1st Monday	2-Feb-04	57	3	79	2	84	0	9	0	0	7	16	19	2	125	123	
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49	Orion	4th Wed in Nov	4th Wednesday	30-Jan-04	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	8	1	37	36
52	Tyrian	3rd Mon in April	3rd Monday	31-Jan-04	93	7	1	2	10	0	0	0	0	6	6	4	0	97	97
53	Cadwell	2nd Thurs in Dec	2nd Thursday	7-Feb-04	464	1	0	0	1	1	10	1	0	32	44	28	6	421	415
55	Ralls	2nd Mon in Jan	2nd Monday	6-May-04	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	24
56	Nevada	2nd Mon in Dec	2nd Monday	30-Jan-04	57	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5	4	1	52	51
58	California	1st Thurs in Sept	1st Thursday	30-Jan-04	69	0	1	0	1	0	4	0	0	1	5	2	5	65	60
61	Meridian Sun	3rd Tues in Dec	3rd Tuesday	31-Jan-04	71	2	0	2	4	1	0	0	0	2	3	19	0	72	72
64	Lebanon	3rd Tues in April	3rd Tuesday	29-Jan-04	115	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	3	5	1	115	114
66	Trenton	3rd Thur in Nov	3rd Thursday	19-Mar-04	134	0	0	1	1	1	6	0	0	7	14	16	2	121	119
68	Signet (cons w/43 10/603)	2nd Thurs in Dec	2nd Thursday		79	0	0	0	0	79	0	0	0	0	79	0	0	0	0
73*	Clinton				34				0						0		0	34	34
75	Wilson	3rd Tues in Dec	3rd Tuesday	23-Jan-04	98	2	0	1	3	0	3	0	0	6	9	12	1	92	91
78	Oriental	1st Thurs in Oct	1st & 3rd Thursday	31-Jan-04	214	2	0	0	2	1	2	1	0	17	21	31	1	195	194
79	Moberly	2nd Tues in Nov	2nd Tuesday	23-Jan-04	69	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	3	5	11	2	65	63
80	Bethany	3rd Tues in Dec	3rd Tuesday	31-Jan-04	40	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	5	7	2	35	33
86	Pike	4th Tues in Nov	4th Tuesday	3-Mar-04	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	21
90	George Frank Gouley	2nd Tues in Nov	2nd Tuesday	26-Apr-04	43	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	46	46
91	Joplin	1st Tue in June	1st Tuesday	29-Apr-04	129	0	0	0	0	1	28	0	0	5	34	7	9	95	86
93	Triune	1st Mon in Dec	1st Monday	30-Jan-04	69	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	3	11	10	66	56
94	Fayette	2nd Tues in Dec	2nd Tuesday	14-Mar-04	25	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	26	22
96*	Owens				18				0						0		0	18	18
99	Shelbina	2nd Tues in Dec	2nd Tuesday	27-Jan-04	69	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	5	5	13	2	68	66
101	Lamar	2nd Mon in Dec	2nd Monday	30-Jan-04	41	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	2	2	0	40	40
102	Orient	3rd Wed in June	3rd Wednesday	31-Jan-04	101	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	11	18	98	80	80
110	Vincil	1st Thurs in June	1st Thursday	31-Jan-04	246	7	0	8	15	0	23	1	0	7	31	35	35	230	195
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111	St. Charles	2nd Wed in March	2nd Wednesday	22-Jan-04	53	1	1	0	2	4	2	0	0	0	6	3	3	49	46
114	Poplar Bluff	2nd Thurs in Nov	2nd Thursday	22-Jan-04	79	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	5	1	3	74	71
116	Albany	2nd Tues in Dec	2nd Tuesday	28-Jan-04	52	0	0	0	0	5	3	0	0	1	9	8	0	43	43
118	Marceline	2nd Mon in Dec	2nd Monday	6-Feb-04	94	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	2	6	2	1	88	87
123	Putnam	4th Tues in Dec	4th Tuesday	28-Jan-04	44	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	2	4	3	44	41
127	Excelsior	2nd Mon in Dec	2nd Monday	23-Jan-04	27	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	0	26	26
129	Uel-Midian	2nd Tues in Oct	2nd Tuesday	30-Jan-04	160	1	0	0	1	0	10	0	0	6	16	25	8	145	137
131	Rabboni	1st Mon in Feb	1st Monday	31-Jan-04	136	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	0	4	10	32	5	126	121
136	East Gate	3rd Thurs in June	3rd Thursday	31-Jan-04	148	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	0	5	11	22	1	137	136
137	Mountain Grove	3rd Thur in Nov	3rd Thursday	28-Jan-04	62	0	0	3	3	0	0	2	0	3	5	9	0	60	60
139	William F. Kuhn	1st Tues in March	1st Tuesday	31-Jan-04	49	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	11	1	47	46
141	Centennial	1st Tues in Dec	1st & 3rd Tuesday	28-Jan-04	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	17	17
142	Mt. Washington	3rd Tues in March	3rd Tuesday	15-Jan-04	71	1	0	2	3	1	2	0	0	3	6	6	12	68	56
144	Kingsway	3rd Mon in Dec	3rd Monday	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	86	85
145	Grandview	2nd Mon in May	2nd Monday	21-Jan-04	106	0	0	1	1	1	6	2	0	8	17	13	2	90	88
146	Keystone	2nd Wed in Oct	2nd Wednesday	31-Jan-04	92	2	0	0	2	2	0	6	0	6	14	9	22	80	58
148	Mt. Nebo	2nd Tues in March	2nd & 4th Wednesday	31-Jan-04	80	5	1	1	7	0	4	0	0	4	8	2	16	79	63
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TOTAL					6744	103	90	46	239	121	236	27	0	283	667	726	338	6316	5958

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1	St. Louis-Missouri	\$ -	\$ 780.00	\$ -	\$ 780.00	\$ 172.50	\$ -	\$ 172.50	\$ 607.50	\$ -
2	Palmyra	-	127.50	-	127.50	22.50	-	22.50	105.00	-
3	Liberty	30.00	1,747.50	60.00	1,837.50	67.50	-	67.50	1,770.00	20.00
4	Weston	10.00	735.00	2.50	747.50	67.50	-	67.50	680.00	-
5	Bolivar	30.00	600.00	-	630.00	45.00	-	45.00	585.00	-
7	Hannibal	-	105.00	350.00	455.00	45.00	-	45.00	410.00	50.00
10	Lexington	-	442.50	-	442.50	82.50	-	82.50	360.00	-
12	Independence	70.00	1,800.00	-	1,870.00	135.00	-	135.00	1,735.00	-
14	Mitchell	60.00	2,145.00	-	2,205.00	337.50	-	337.50	1,867.50	-
15	Springfield	110.00	2,715.00	-	2,825.00	307.50	-	307.50	2,517.50	-
17	Columbia	40.00	945.00	-	985.00	157.50	-	157.50	827.50	10.00
18	Sedalia	-	517.50	60.50	578.00	82.50	-	82.50	495.50	-
22	Macon	10.00	322.50	-	332.50	30.00	-	30.00	302.50	-
24	George Washington	-	547.50	-	547.50	52.50	-	52.50	495.00	-
25	Bellefontaine	20.00	255.00	-	275.00	30.00	15.00	45.00	230.00	-
26	DeMolay	-	420.00	15.00	435.00	30.00	-	30.00	405.00	-
27	Mexico	50.00	435.00	-	485.00	105.00	-	105.00	380.00	-
28	Kansas City	-	1,282.50	25.00	1,307.50	172.50	-	172.50	1,135.00	10.00
30	Lone Star	-	577.50	7.50	585.00	45.00	-	45.00	540.00	10.00
32	Rolla	90.00	1,087.50	-	1,177.50	82.50	-	82.50	1,095.00	-
33	Cope Stone	10.00	337.50	-	347.50	7.50	-	7.50	340.00	-
34	Jefferson City	20.00	1,080.00	-	1,100.00	240.00	-	240.00	860.00	-
38	Greenfield	-	285.00	-	285.00	45.00	-	45.00	240.00	-
41*	Linn	-	367.50	637.00	1,004.50	-	-	-	1,004.50	-
43	Wyoming	30.00	922.50	-	952.50	142.50	-	142.50	810.00	-

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49	Orion	-	270.00	67.50	337.50	60.00	-	60.00	277.50	-
52	Tyrian	70.00	727.50	-	797.50	30.00	-	30.00	767.50	-
53	Caldwell	10.00	3,112.50	162.50	3,285.00	210.00	-	210.00	3,075.00	10.00
55	Ralls	-	180.00	-	180.00	30.00	-	30.00	150.00	30.00
56	Nevada	-	382.50	-	382.50	30.00	-	30.00	352.50	-
58	California	-	450.00	-	450.00	15.00	-	15.00	435.00	-
61	Meridian Sun	20.00	540.00	-	560.00	142.50	-	142.50	417.50	-
64	Lebanon	30.00	855.00	-	885.00	37.50	-	37.50	847.50	-
66	Trenton	-	892.50	245.00	1,137.50	120.00	-	120.00	1,017.50	20.00
68	Signet (cons w/43 10/6/03)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
73*	Clinton	-	255.00	462.00	717.00	-	-	-	717.00	-
75	Wilson	20.00	682.50	-	702.50	90.00	14.95	104.95	597.55	-
78	Oriental	20.00	1,455.00	-	1,475.00	232.50	262.50	495.00	980.00	-
79	Moberly	-	472.50	-	472.50	82.50	-	82.50	390.00	-
80	Bethany	-	247.50	-	247.50	52.50	7.50	60.00	187.50	-
86	Pike	-	157.50	-	157.50	37.50	-	37.50	120.00	20.00
90	George Frank Gouley	30.00	345.00	-	375.00	30.00	-	30.00	345.00	30.00
91	Joplin	-	645.00	-	645.00	52.50	70.00	122.50	522.50	20.00
93	Triune	-	420.00	-	420.00	82.50	-	82.50	337.50	-
94	Fayette	10.00	165.00	-	175.00	-	-	-	175.00	20.00
96*	Owens	-	135.00	234.00	369.00	-	-	-	369.00	-
99	Shelbina	40.00	495.00	-	535.00	97.50	-	97.50	437.50	-
101	Lamar	-	300.00	-	300.00	15.00	0.50	15.50	284.50	-
102	Orient	10.00	600.00	-	610.00	82.50	-	82.50	527.50	-
110	Vincil	70.00	1,462.50	-	1,532.50	262.50	-	262.50	1,270.00	-

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111	St. Charles	10.00	345.00	-	355.00	22.50	-	22.50	332.50	-
114	Poplar Bluff	-	532.50	-	532.50	7.50	-	7.50	525.00	-
116	Albany	-	322.50	-	322.50	60.00	-	60.00	262.50	-
118	Marceline	-	652.50	7.50	660.00	15.00	-	15.00	645.00	-
123	Purnam	10.00	307.50	-	317.50	30.00	-	30.00	287.50	-
127	Excelsior	10.00	195.00	-	205.00	15.00	-	15.00	190.00	-
129	Uel-Midian	10.00	1,027.50	15.00	1,052.50	187.50	-	187.50	865.00	-
131	Rabboni	-	907.50	7.50	915.00	240.00	-	240.00	675.00	-
136	East Gate	-	1,020.00	-	1,020.00	165.00	-	165.00	855.00	-
137	Mountain Grove	-	450.00	17.50	467.50	67.50	-	67.50	400.00	-
139	William F. Kuhn	-	345.00	-	345.00	82.50	15.00	97.50	247.50	-
141	Centennial	-	127.50	-	127.50	30.00	-	30.00	97.50	-
142	Mt. Washington	10.00	420.00	7.50	437.50	45.00	-	45.00	392.50	-
144	Kingsway	-	637.50	-	637.50	-	10.00	10.00	627.50	-
145	Grandview	-	660.00	-	660.00	97.50	-	97.50	562.50	-
146	Keystone	20.00	435.00	-	455.00	67.50	22.50	90.00	365.00	-
148	Mt. Nebo	50.00	472.50	-	522.50	15.00	-	15.00	507.50	-
* No Annual Return received since 2000										
TOTAL		\$ 1,030.00	\$ 44,685.00	\$ 2,383.50	\$ 48,098.50	\$ 5,445.00	\$ 417.95	\$ 5,862.95	\$ 42,235.55	\$ 250.00

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No.	Chapter	Total Owed	Paid	2nd Payment	Date 2nd Payment	Total All Payments	03 Credits	03 Debits
1	St. Louis-Missouri	\$ 607.50	\$ 600.00	\$ 7.50	08-Jul-04	607.50		
2	Palmyra	105.00	-	-		-		105.00
3	Liberty	1,790.00	1,747.50	-		1,747.50		42.50
4	Weston	680.00	672.50	7.50	12-May-04	680.00		
5	Bolivar	585.00	585.00	-		585.00		
7	Hannibal	460.00	400.00	-		400.00		60.00
10	Lexington	360.00	345.00	-		345.00		15.00
12	Independence	1,735.00	1,617.50	-		1,617.50		117.50
14	Mitchell	1,867.50	1,852.50	22.50	30-Jul-03	1,875.00	7.50	
15	Springfield	2,517.50	2,510.00	7.50	12-May-04	2,517.50		
17	Columbia	837.50	857.50	-		857.50	20.00	
18	Sedalia	495.50	450.00	-		450.00		45.50
22	Macon	302.50	302.50	-		302.50		
24	George Washington	495.00	525.00	-		525.00	30.00	
25	Bellefontaine	230.00	245.00	-		245.00	15.00	
26	DeMolay	405.00	412.50	-		412.50	7.50	
27	Mexico	380.00	380.00	-		380.00		
28	Kansas City	1,145.00	819.50	286.00	24-Sep-04	1,105.50		39.50
30	Lone Star	550.00	540.00	-		540.00		10.00
32	Rolla	1,095.00	1,105.00	-		1,105.00	10.00	
33	Cope Stone	340.00	340.00	-		340.00		
34	Jefferson City	860.00	860.00	-		860.00		
38	Greenfield	240.00	240.00	-		240.00		
41*	Linn	1,004.50	-	-		-		1,004.50
43	Wyoming	810.00	810.00	-		810.00		
* No Annual Return received since 2000								

GRAND SECRETARY'S TABULAR STATEMENT OF CHAPTERS, DECEMBER 31, 2003. Continued

No.	Chapter	Total Owed	Paid	2nd Payment	Date 2nd Payment	Total All Payments	03 Credits	03 Debits
49	Orion	277.50	277.50	-		277.50		
52	Tyrian	767.50	825.00	-		825.00	57.50	
53	Caldwell	3,085.00	2,547.50	-		2,547.50		537.50
55	Rolls	180.00	180.00	-		180.00		
56	Nevada	352.50	367.50	-		367.50	15.00	
58	California	435.00	435.00	-		435.00		
61	Meridian Sun	417.50	312.50	-		312.50		105.00
64	Lebanon	847.50	780.00	67.50	05-Oct-04	847.50		
66	Trenton	1,037.50	1,082.50	-		1,082.50	45.00	
68	Signet (cons w/43 10/6/03)	-	-	-		-		
73*	Clinton	717.00	-	-		-		717.00
75	Wilson	597.55	620.05	-		620.05	22.50	
78	Oriental	980.00	1,017.50	-		1,017.50	37.50	
79	Moberly	390.00	390.00	-		390.00		
80	Bethany	187.50	285.00	-		285.00	97.50	
86	Pike	140.00	150.00	-		150.00	10.00	
90	George Frank Gouley	375.00	367.50	-		367.50		7.50
91	Joplin	542.50	522.50	-		522.50		20.00
93	Triune	337.50	330.00	7.50	06-Aug-04	337.50		
94	Fayette	195.00	167.50	27.50		195.00		
96*	Owens	369.00	-	-		-		369.00
99	Shelbina	437.50	467.50	-		467.50	30.00	
101	Lamar	284.50	292.00	-		292.00	7.50	
102	Orient	527.50	632.50	-		632.50	105.00	
110	Vincil	1,270.00	1,304.50	-		1,304.50	34.50	
* No Annual Return received since 2000								

GRAND SECRETARY'S TABULAR STATEMENT OF CHAPTERS, DECEMBER 31, 2003, Continued

No.	Chapter	Total Owed	Paid	2nd Payment	Date 2nd Payment	Total All Payments	03 Credits	03 Debits
111	St. Charles	332.50	332.50	-		332.50		
114	Poplar Bluff	525.00	525.00	-		525.00		
116	Albany	262.50	322.50	-		322.50	60.00	
118	Marceline	645.00	542.00	-		542.00		103.00
123	Putnam	287.50	287.50	-		287.50		
127	Excelsior	190.00	182.00	-		182.00		8.00
129	Uel-Midian	865.00	850.00	15.00	25-Aug-04	865.00		
131	Rabboni	675.00	720.00	-		720.00	45.00	
136	East Gate	855.00	862.50	-		862.50	7.50	
137	Mountain Grove	400.00	407.50	-		407.50	7.50	
139	William F. Kuhn	247.50	247.50	-		247.50		
141	Centennial	97.50	105.00	-		105.00	7.50	
142	Mt. Washington	392.50	382.50	10.00	09-Feb-04	392.50		
144	Kingsway	627.50	-	-		-		627.50
145	Grandview	562.50	592.50	-		592.50	30.00	
146	Keystone	365.00	332.50	32.50	27-Sep-04	365.00		
148	Mt. Nebo	507.50	507.50	-		507.50		
* No Annual Return received since 2000								
TOTAL		\$ 42,485.55	\$ 38,770.05	\$ 491.00		\$ 39,261.05	\$ 709.50	\$ 3,934.00

GRAND SECRETARY'S TABULAR STATEMENT OF CHAPTERS, DECEMBER 31, 2003, Continued

No.	Chapter	Real Estate & Investments	Paraphernalia	Uncollected Dues	Indebtedness	Annual Dues	Treasurer Bonded	Secretary Bonded	Total Value of Chapters	RARA Donations	Audited
1	St. Louis-Missouri	\$ 8,257.11	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -			\$ 9,600.78	\$ -	No
2	Palmyra	-	-	-	-	-			-	-	Yes
3	Liberty	32,869.43	10,000.00	-	-	10.00	Yes	Yes	44,311.13	-	Yes
4	Weston	-	300.00	-	-	10.00	NO	NO	1,001.71	-	Yes
5	Bolivar	58,228.60	-	-	-	10.00			61,255.53	-	Yes
7	Hannibal	-	-	-	-	25.00			-	-	Yes
10	Lexington	-	2,000.00	-	-	19.50	Yes	Yes	3,911.54	-	Yes
12	Independence	14,926.18	-	-	-	16.85			17,437.34	215.00	No
14	Mitchell	30,000.00	500.00	-	-	18.00	Yes	Yes	46,435.43	-	Yes
15	Springfield	-	-	-	-	15.00			1,828.51	-	No
17	Columbia	15,487.49	5,000.00	468.00	-	18.00	Yes	Yes	22,621.21	88.60	Yes
18	Sedalia	-	1,666.00	85.00	250.00	8.50	NO	NO	2,161.44	62.05	No
22	Macon	6,105.19	250.00	-	-	12.00	NO	NO	6,454.27	-	Yes
24	George Washington	-	-	15.00	-	15.00	NO	NO	3,971.19	345.00	Yes
25	Bellefontaine	63,000.00	2,500.00	-	-	15.50	Yes	Yes	66,356.64	35.00	No
26	DeMoyle	-	-	-	-	20.00	NO	NO	1,000.65	-	Yes
27	Mexico	-	-	-	-	15.00	Yes	Yes	681.54	29.90	Yes
28	Kansas City	-	-	-	-	17.50	Yes	Yes	(239.75)	30.83	Inc.
30	Lone Star	-	-	-	-	14.00			469.75	-	Inc.
32	Rolla	29,124.26	4,500.00	1,275.00	-	17.00	NO	NO	38,319.00	100.15	Yes
33	Cope Stone	-	5,000.00	-	-	10.00	NO	NO	6,120.80	49.00	Yes
34	Jefferson City	15,997.81	1,200.00	-	-	17.00	NO	NO	21,169.61	-	Yes
38	Greenfield	-	-	-	-	9.00	NO	NO	679.34	50.00	No
41*	Linn	-	-	-	-	-			-	-	Yes
43	Wyoming	2,000.00	2,500.00	-	-	12.00	NO	NO	5,596.70	149.13	Yes
* No Annual Return received since 2000											

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No.	Chapter	Real Estate & Investments	Paraphernalia	Uncollected Dues	Indebtedness	Annual Dues	Treasurer Bonded	Secretary Bonded	Total Value of Chapters	RARA Donations	Audited
49	Orion	-	-	-	-	15.00			3,313.56	-	Inc.
52	Tyrian	-	-	-	-	11.50	NO	NO	1,309.28	-	Inc.
53	Caldwell	-	-	-	-	15.00			15,084.82	-	No
55	Ralls	-	-	20.00	-	10.00	NO	NO	1,251.69	-	Yes
56	Nevada	766.13	500.00	90.00	-	18.00			2,390.83	24.00	No
58	California	-	5,000.00	-	-	20.00	NO	NO	5,512.58	-	Yes
61	Meridian Sun	-	800.00	120.00	-	10.00			2,051.02	100.00	No
64	Lebanon	4,606.90	250.00	100.00	-	20.00			6,971.01	-	No
66	Trenton	-	-	-	-	17.00	Yes	NO	3,241.70	-	Inc.
68	Signet (cons w/43 10/6/03)	-	-	-	-	-			-	-	
73*	Clinton	-	-	-	-	-			-	-	
75	Wilson	9,888.80	3,000.00	-	-	16.50			14,737.61	69.45	No
78	Oriental	103,727.18	4,500.00	-	-	15.00			108,995.34	715.40	No
79	Moberly	-	-	-	-	15.00	NO	NO	2,714.55	-	No
80	Bethany	-	4,000.00	-	-	14.00			5,098.66	40.00	No
86	Pike	-	1,900.00	-	-	15.00	NO	NO	3,139.38	-	Yes
90	George Frank Gouley	-	-	-	-	10.00	Yes	Yes	450.41	-	Yes
91	Joplin	9,047.58	100.00	-	-	17.50			10,518.17	-	No
93	Triune	3,924.51	1,524.86	-	-	12.00	NO	NO	6,572.78	81.27	No
94	Fayette	-	-	-	-	25.00	NO	NO	165.05	-	Yes
96*	Owens	-	-	-	-	-			-	-	
99	Shelbina	2,472.97	1,200.00	-	-	10.00	NO	NO	4,110.97	-	Yes
101	Lamar	-	500.00	-	-	12.50			2,152.88	40.00	No
102	Orient	-	-	-	-	7.50	NO	NO	-	-	No
110	Vincil	23,666.71	5,000.00	-	-	15.00			31,759.71	-	No
* No Annual Return received since 2000											

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No.	Chapter	Real Estate & Investments	Paraphernalia	Uncollected Dues	Indebtedness	Annual Dues	Treasurer Bonded	Secretary Bonded	Total Value of Chapters	RARA Donations	Audited
111	St. Charles	36,127.83	2,000.00	51.00	-	25.50			42,068.71	44.00	No
114	Poplar Bluff	-	-	-	-	12.00	NO	NO	1,172.75	-	Yes
116	Albany	-	-	-	-	12.00	NO	NO	212.70	-	Yes
118	Marceline	-	-	-	-	8.50			1,951.84	-	No
123	Putnam	-	500.00	10.00	-	10.00			2,167.16	124.10	No
127	Excelsior	-	-	-	-	12.00			765.49	-	No
129	Uel-Midian	-	2,800.00	288.00	3,750.00	14.00	NO	NO	2,143.48	11.00	Yes
131	Rabboni	4,652.62	14,300.00	700.00	-	20.00			21,362.49	120.05	No
136	East Gate	15,000.00	-	-	-	15.00			17,775.85	-	No
137	Mountain Grove	28,383.24	2,500.00	-	-	12.00			32,179.53	-	No
139	William F. Kuhn	-	300.00	429.30	-	23.55	NO	NO	1,299.94	-	No
141	Centennial	-	-	-	-	8.00	NO	NO	516.45	-	Yes
142	Mt. Washington	-	-	-	-	17.50	NO	NO	2,051.35	11.85	Yes
144	Kingsway	-	-	-	-	7.50			-	-	
145	Grandview	-	-	-	-	23.50			1,455.20	-	No
146	Keystone	-	20,000.00	136.00	-	17.00	NO	NO	21,551.97	225.00	Yes
148	Mt. Nebo	-	5,000.00	-	-	14.00	NO	NO	6,039.43	80.00	Yes
* No Annual Return received since 2000											
TOTAL		\$ 518,260.54	\$ 111,090.86	\$ 3,787.30	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 898.40			\$ 747,400.70	\$ 2,840.78	

GRAND CHAPTER STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND HIGH PRIEST'S ADDRESS

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri:

The committee has received and read the address of the Grand High Priest. He is to be commended for his many years of service not only the Grand Chapter, but to the York Rite in general. His decisions relative to by-law changes, dispensations, and rulings were referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Surety bonds, charity programs and other recommendations were referred to the various committees.

The committee would like to thank Most Excellent Companion Delbert Gentry for the many hours of work and the miles he traveled. He has discharged the duties of his office with devotion. We wish him the best for the future.

Fraternally submitted,
Roy A. Welshon, PGHP, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Your Committee on Credentials has examined the certificates filed with the Committee and begs to report the following:

Number of Chartered Chapters represented 46; Grand Officers 17; Past Grand High Priests 15; Past High Priests, not representatives 57; Chairmen and members of Committees 74; High Priests 31 (7 being proxies); Kings 19 (5 being proxies); Scribes 15 (5 being proxies); Secretaries 30; Grand Representatives 63; District Deputy Grand High Priests 10, and District Deputy Grand Lecturers 8.

Total number of Chapter Representatives, without duplication 187; Chapters fully represented 10; Chapters partially represented 36. The following Chapters had no representation: No.'s 5, 7, 18, 22, 24, 30, 41, 55, 56, 73, 86, 96, 116, 118, 137, 141, and 144.

Past High Priests, Not Representatives: Theodore Buckwick (1), George M. Merkle (1), Jerry Ward (3), Glenn E. Means (12), Victor C. Walters (12), Stanton T. Brown (12), Melvin J. Sanders (12), William J. Bowser (14), Carroll E. Henson (14), Ronald E. Wood, Jr. (14), Bobby L. Detherow (15), William R. Brantley (17), William G. Buckner (18), Steven M. Anderson (28), George E. Ornsby (32), Columbus Craft (32), Harold C. Mace (32), William J. Neidhorns (32), William C. Woolsey (32), Harold F. Coots (34), William R. Probst (38), Loyd V. Wagner (38), Russell Helmig (43), Ronald D. Miller (53), Larry T. Odom (66), John E. Schofield (75), David R. Vogler (78), Francis Latragna (78), Joseph F. Wiegert (78), Ronnie E. Green (78), Rudolph Beuc (84), Phillip W. Engel (93), Teddie E. Harrison (102), Joseph L. Heilig (102), William W. Gray (102), Kenneth L. Dunlap (110), James H. Mercer (110), Aaron D. Jones (110), Thomas C. Yunick (123), Richard E. Jump (129), Paul B. Tobias (129), James J. Hayes (129), LeRoy D. Unruh (129), Nelson G. Morgan (129), Arthur C. Highman (129), Harold J. Richardson (129), Albert H. Miller (129), James E. Snavely (129), Lionel J. Goede (131), Paul K. Kawakami (134), William S. Hall (136), Jacob C. Baird (137), Shawn F.

Crawford (142), Jack R. Clark (145), Frank W. Benson (145), Robert L. Wright (148), John L. Erfurdt (148), and Kimber W. Key (148).

Grand Representatives to Missouri from other jurisdictions: Claude M. Eckert (Alabama), Richard J. Holmes (Alberta Canada), Robert B. Hardester (Argentina), Lionel J. Goede (Arkansas), LeRoy D. Unruh (Austria), Gary A. Phillips (Belgium), Chester L. Herrington (British Columbia and Yukon), Scott S. Crawford (Colorado), Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr. (Connecticut), José R. Palacios (Delaware), Wilfred G. Soutiea, Jr. (District of Columbia), George R. Johnson (Florida), Robert H. Bray (France), Calvin D. Schroff (Georgia), Ronnie E. Green (Greece), Stanton T. Brown (Hawaii), George L. Duncan (Illinois), William B. Stephenson, Jr. (Indiana), Earl W. Orr (Iowa), James M. Williams (Ireland), Kevin E. Weaver (Israel), Russell S. Hanson (Italy), Jack Timmons (Kansas), Albert Folds (Louisiana), Fred F. Stuecken (Maine), Harley L. Kropf (Manitoba), William W. Mier (Maryland), John E. Thraillkill (Massachusetts), Jerry F. Ward (Michigan), Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr. (Minnesota), Daniel R. Quesenberry (Mississippi), D. Keith Duren (Montana), Kevin B. Sample (Nevada), David H. Lewis (New Brunswick), Marion W. "Mick" Dey (New Jersey), Ervin A. Drawing (New Zealand), Delbert R. Gentry (North Carolina), Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr. (North Dakota), Theodore Buckwick (Nova Scotia), Teddie E. Harrison (Ohio), Foster S. Crawford (Oregon), Lewis C. Odneal (Panama), Phillip W. Engel (Pennsylvania), James A. Nunn (Philippines), William J. Bowser (Portugal), Robert W. Schlichter (Quebec), Paul Tobias (Queensland, Australia), Ronald E. Wood, Jr. (Rhode Island), William W. Gray (Saskatchewan), Harry O. Maenner (Scotland), Edgar D. Piles (South Australia), Dan Daniel (South Dakota), Steven C. Monrotus (Spain), Emory J. Hampel (Switzerland), Charles A. Bottermuller (Tennessee), Ralph P. Bunnell (Texas), Roy A. Welshon, Sr. (Vermont), Walter W. Doyle (Victoria, Australia), Harold J. Richardson (Virginia), Roy N. Thomas (West Virginia), C. C. McLemore, III (Western Australia), William R. Probst (Wisconsin), and Larry D. Wyatt (Wyoming).

Grand Chapter Officers: Delbert R. Gentry – Grand High Priest; Walter W. Doyle – Grand King; Harley L. Kropf – Grand Scribe; Donald L. Trabue – Grand Treasurer; Kevin B. Sample – Grand Secretary; William B. Stephenson, Jr. – Grand Captain of the Host; Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr. – Grand Principal Sojourner; Robert E. Hardester – Grand Royal Arch Captain; George L. Duncan – Grand Master of the 3rd Veil; C.C. McLemore, III – Grand Master of the 2nd Veil; Steven C. Monrotus – Grand Master of the 1st Veil; James M. Williams – Grand Historian; Ralph E. Nolan – Grand Chaplain; Daniel R. Quesenberry – Grand Chorister; Chris M. Jessen – Grand Organist; Calvin D. Schroff – Grand Lecturer; and Claude M. Eckert – Grand Sentinel.

Past Grand High Priests: (not reported)

District Deputy Grand High Priests: (not reported)

Standing and Special Committees: (not reported)

CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES (Credentials)

(* By proxy)

No	CHAPTER	HIGH PRIEST	KING	SCRIBE	SECRETARY
1	St. Charles Missouri	* Thomas D. Martin	David C. Warburton	Rex A. Dix	Harry C. Reed, Jr.
2	Palmyra				Kevin B. Sample
3	Liberty		Ted C. Talbert		
4	Weston	* Ralph P. Bunnell			
5	Bolivar				
7	Hannibal				
10	Lexington				Mark S. Schroer
12	Independence	Ronald M. Hickey		Donald Meinsen	
14	Mitchell	Carl Bryan			William W. Mier
15	Springfield				Robert G. Bird
17	Columbia	Michael L. Wallis	James G. Wade	Marion W. Dey	Russell S. Hanson
18	Sedalia				
22	Macon				
24	George Washington				
25	Bellefontaine	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	Trent Moreland	* Edgar F. Coonrod	Richard J. Holmes
26	DeMolay			Farrell D. Sexon	
27	Mexico	Donald E. Fairley	Gene C. Berck	Richard A. Mills	Jared Price
28	Kansas City				Steven M. Anderson
30	Lone Star				
32	Rolla	James D. Smallwood	Wayne Brian Fryer		Paul Robert Cannon
33	Copestone				Roy A. Welshon
34	Jefferson City	Andrew Wyatt	Larry Waytt	* Billy Reifstech	Robert L. Hudson
38	Greenfield				C. C. McLemore, III
41	Linn				
43	Wyoming			Jack Timmons	
49	Orion	Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.			
52	Tyrian				Vernon Pogue, Jr.
53	Caldwell	Richard Mansfield			
55	Ralls				
56	Nevada				
58	California	* Cletus Kueffer	* Donald E. Matthews		Stephen C. Derendinger
61	Meridian Sun	C. C. McLemore, III			Marvin W. Frost
64	Lebanon	James C. Morgan	* Harold J. McClellan	Howard E. Ridgley	Albert E. Folds
66	Trenton	Timothy D. Munday			
73	Clinton				
75	Wilson	Chester L. Herrington			
78	Oriental		Marion L. Briggs		Edgar Piles
79	Moberly				Fred F. Stuecken
80	Bethany		Dan G. Daniel		John E. Thrailkill
86	Pike				
90	George F. Gouley				Christopher Brian Green
91	Joplin	Gary A. Phillips			Jack D. Brown
93	Triune	Robert L. Schmidt	* Homer Nelson	* Phillip W. Engel	Verle Naughton
94	Fayette	Lewis C. Odneal			Robert H. Bray
96	Owens				
99	Shelbina				Darrell Wilham
101	Lamar	Ted W. Blanchard			
102	Orient			Brent D. Wilson	
110	Vincil	Clark A. McLemore	Robert R. Anderson, Jr.		James A. Nunn
114	Poplar Bluff				Bill Humble
116	Albany				
118	Marceline				
123	Putnam	* Clyde Bondy	* Thomas C. Yunick	* David Lloyd	Loren D. Lloyd
127	Excelsior	Jimmy T. Baker			Kenneth S. Fousek
129	Uel Midian		Jim Woodfin		Steven C. Monrotus
131	Rabboni	Emory J. Hampel			
136	East Gate	Forrest G. Lowe	* Patrick B. Rendon	* James C. Rodgers	Robert Brizendine
137	Mountain Grove				
139	William F. Kuhn	Sergio Martinez		Delbert L. Taylor	
141	Centennial				
142	Mt. Washington	* Shawn Crawford	William G. Snyder		
144	Kingsway				

CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES (Credentials) (Continued)

(* By proxy)

No	CHAPTER	HIGH PRIEST	KING	SCRIBE	SECRETARY
145	Grandview				Roy N. Thomas
146	Keystone	Wilfred G. Soutiea, Jr.	Harry O. Maenner	Dwight Wyatt	
148	Mt. Nebo	Paul R. Cannon	Robert L. Sanders	Arnold D. Haddock	Kevin E. Weaver

Respectfully submitted,
 Phillip W. Engel
 Fred A. Troxel, Jr.
 Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
 DISTINGUISHED CHAPTER AWARDS**

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

The Committee on the Distinguished Chapter Awards is happy to report that more Chapters have applied for the award this year than in the years past. The following thirteen (13) Chapters have applied and qualified for the award:

2003-2004

Chapter	No.	High Priest	Years
Independence	12	Ronald M. Hickey	15
Mitchell	14	Lloyd Waller	11
Bellefontaine	25	K. Trent Moreland	6
Rolla	32	William C. Woolsey	1
Wyoming	43	Richard L. Alexander	5
California	58	Larry D. Wyatt	1
Oriental	78	Rudolph Beuc, Jr.	8
Joplin	91	Gary A. Phillips	1
Vincil	110	Aaron D. Jones	4
East Gate	136	Forrest G. Lowe	1
William F. Kuhn	139	Melvin L. Tacke	4
Mt. Washington	142	David C. Witte	3
Mt. Nebo	148	Kurtis J. Stiern	6

The Chapters who have applied and qualified are to be congratulated, and it is hoped that more Chapters will qualify next year.

A special thank you is extended to the District Deputy Grand High Priests for their efforts to encourage the participation of Chapters in their Region.

Fraternally submitted,
 Emory J. Hampel, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE**Decisions of the Grand High Priest**

To the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

The Jurisprudence Committee of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri has reviewed the labors of the Grand High Priest in relation to edicts issued, dispensations granted, By-laws changes approved for Subordinate Chapters and, all other relevant matters pertaining to the business of the Craft acted upon by him.

In our opinion, the actions of Most Excellent Companion Delbert R. Gentry, in these matters thus far, are well within the inherent powers, responsibilities and duties of his office as proscribed in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri.

Most Excellent Grand High Priest Delbert R. Gentry is to be commended for his specific interest to the Craft. Most Excellent Companion Gentry has provided exemplary leadership in his charge of the Craft and, on more than one occasion, demonstrated his ability to resolve complex and sometimes, most difficult and sensitive matters. He has always acted thoughtfully, responsibly, and never failed to seek advice and counsel when appropriate.

For his dedication to the Craft, and approval of this report, we recommend unanimous agreement by the Craft with a standing ovation.

Fraternally submitted,
P. Vincent Kinhead
Stanton T. Brown
Charles A. Bottermuller
Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman

Proposed Legislation Laid Over from 2003

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article XXVIII, Change of By-Laws, Section 224, Alteration or Repeal*, be amended by striking the words, “foregoing” and “and read on one day of the session, be published in the PROCEEDINGS of the Grand Chapter and lay over until the next annual convocation, when it shall be again read”.

THE BY-LAW CURRENTLY READS: Any alteration or proposition to amend or repeal any of the foregoing by-laws shall be reduced to writing and read on one day of the session, be printed in the PROCEEDINGS of the Grand Chapter and lay over until the next annual convocation, when it shall again be read, and if approved by a majority of the members present, shall become a part of the by-laws of this Grand Chapter.

IF AMENDED THE SECTION WOULD READ: *Article XXVIII, Change of By-laws, Section 224, Alteration or Repeal*, Any alteration or proposition to amend or repeal any of the by-laws shall be reduced to writing and if approved by a majority of the members present, shall become a part of the by-laws of this Grand Chapter.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: In this day and age of electronic media it is no longer necessary and in most cases inconvenient and cumbersome to require such legislation to lie over an additional year.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin B. Sample, Grand Secretary, PHP, Poplar Bluff Chapter No. 114

Robert W. Schlichter, PHP, Liberty Chapter No. 3

Proposed Amendment Passed, May 14, 2004

Proposed Legislation Laid Over from 2003

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article VI, Grand Secretary, Section 33-A, Retirement Plan*, be repealed in its entirety.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To save the Grand Chapter money and to prevent the raising of per capita in the future, seeing how the Grand Chapter has \$100,000.00 plus in the retirement fund. The Secretary's position is meant to be a job that will supplement his income, not one from which he can retire.

THIS SECTION OF THE BY-LAWS CURRENTLY READS: *Article VI, Grand Secretary, Section 33-A, Retirement Plan.*

(a) After serving not less than one hundred twenty (120) months as a full time employee of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, of Missouri, such employee may at his option retire from said employment on or before May 1 next after becoming 65 years of age, or at any time thereafter, and shall then receive the retirement pension hereinafter provided.

(b) The employee who retires as hereinafter provided shall be paid an annual pension equivalent to the number of years of his service multiplied by 1 1/2 percent of his average annual salary of the highest five (5) years, provided that in no event shall the retirement pension payments exceed 50 per cent of the annual salary being received by such employee at the time of his retirement.

(c) No retirement payment shall be paid to any such employee who retires prior to becoming 65 years of age or with less than 120 months of service, unless while serving such employee shall become totally and permanently disabled. "Totally and permanently disabled" shall be comparable to that as defined and determined in the Social Security Act.

(d) That a pension plan be now established in the Grand Chapter to make available at any necessary future time a partial source of funds.

(e) That the Finance Committee be authorized now and until further action of any future Grand Chapter Annual Convocation, to provide any sum necessary to sustain the fund at its current investment principal to be placed in said fund for investment in U.S. Government Securities and that all earned interest accruing to the benefit of said fund

shall remain in said fund with the exception of those monies expended for payment to any retirees.

(f) The adoption of this section and the provisions therein contained shall not give any person, or persons, any vested right. The right is reserved to amend, modify, or repeal any or all parts of this section for any reason at all.

IF REPEALED THE SECTION WILL CEASE TO EXIST. The following recommendation of disbursement of the retirement fund is to divide it into four equal parts, putting one fourth in the first year into the General Investments Fund; one fourth the second year; one fourth the third year; and etc.; so as not to bring questions from the Internal Revenue Service. If adopted this should keep the Grand Chapter from raising per capita for several years in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter W. Doyle, PHP, Vincil Chapter No. 110

James A. Nunn, PHP, Vincil Chapter No. 110

William R. Probst, PHP, Greenfield Chapter No. 38

C.C. McLemore, PHP, Greenfield Chapter No. 38

Robert R. Anderson, Jr. Scribe, Vincil Chapter No. 110

Proposed Amendment Passed, May 14, 2004

Resolution Presented from the Floor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the funds of the Retirement Fund be disbursed to a newly created reserved fund in its entirety, still protected under section 501(c)(10) of the IRS Code. And, from which only the annual earned interest and dividends may be used for general fund purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul B. Tobias, PHP, Uel-Midian Chapter No. 129

Proposed Resolution Passed, May 14, 2004

Proposed Legislation Laid Over from 2003

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article VI, Section 33-A, Retirement Plan, Paragraph (e) of the By-laws of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons* be amended by striking the words, "U. S. Government Securities".

PARAGRAPH (e) CURRENTLY STATES: That the Finance Committee be authorized now and until further action of any future Grand Chapter Annual Convocation, to provide any sum necessary to sustain the fund at its current investment principal to be placed in said fund for investment in U.S. Government Securities and that all earned interest accruing to the benefit of said fund shall remain in said fund with the exception of those monies expended for payment to any retirees.

AS AMENDED PARAGRAPH (e) WILL READ: That the Finance Committee be authorized now and until further action of any future Grand Chapter Annual Convocation, to provide any sum necessary to sustain the fund at its current investment principal to be placed in said fund for investment and that all earnings accruing to the benefit of said fund shall remain in said fund with the exception of those monies expended for payment to retirees.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: Currently, the principal of the retirement fund must be invested in U.S. Government Securities. By removing this requirement, it would allow the retirement funds to be invested in accordance with the requirements of Article IX, Section 44, *Investments*. Thus, a portion of the funds would be able to potentially achieve higher rates of return than available for U.S. Government Securities.

Respectfully submitted,

Harley L. Kropf, PHP, Shelbina Chapter No. 99

Kenneth D. Dingman, PHP, Rolla Chapter No. 32

Donald L. Trabue, PHP, Jefferson City Chapter No. 34

Proposed Amendment Repealed by previous legislative action, May 14, 2004

Proposed Legislation Laid Over from 2003

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article XVIII, Life Membership, Section 164, Subsection 12*, of the By-laws of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri, be amended by changing “recorders” to “secretaries”, striking “less the per capita tax in effect when the member became a life member”, substituting “minus per capita” in its place, placing a period (.) after capita, and adding the following wording, “This is provided that no earnings shall be distributed on any Life Membership until after January 1 of the second (2nd) calendar year after such fee, paid in full, is deposited with the Grand Secretary. When a Life Member dies, the Grand Chapter will continue to receive his per capita, less 20% and his Chapter will continue to receive his prorated earnings, less 20%. The retained 20% will be added to the Funds principal to provide for growth in the fund. Prorated earnings shall be based on the member's chapter dues that existed at the time the individual entered the Life Membership Program. Per capita shall be the per capita that existed at the time the individual entered the Life Membership Program.

IF AMENDED THIS SECTION WILL READ: *Article XVIII, Life Membership, Section 164, Subsection 12, The Grand Secretary* shall annually remit to the Secretaries of participating subordinate chapters their prorated portion of the earnings of the Life Membership Fund minus per capita. This is provided that no earnings shall be distributed on any Life Membership until after January 1 of the second (2nd) calendar year after such fee, paid in full, is deposited with the Grand Secretary. When a Life Member dies, the Grand Chapter will continue to receive his per capita, less 20% and his Chapter will continue to receive his prorated earnings, less 20%. The retained 20% will be added to the Funds principal to provide for growth in the fund. Prorated earnings shall be based on the member's chapter dues that existed at the time the individual entered the Life Membership Program. Per capita shall be the per capita that existed at the time the individual entered the Life Membership Program.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: Currently, the fund must achieve annual earnings in excess of 5 1/2% in order to provide for a 100% distribution. By establishing a minimum of one (1) year for the earnings from any new Life Membership investment (participant), it allows the investment to have earnings for at least a full year, prior to them being involved in the earnings distribution. Thusly, the distribution to prior membership will not be reduced in order to make up for the short term investment earnings from the new members. The principal of the fund must grow in order to provide for greater earnings. The return of 20% of a deceased members earnings to the principal of the fund will allow for growth in the fund, without greatly hampering the Grand Chapter and subordinate Chapters.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter Doyle, PHP, Vincil No. 110
Kenneth D. Dingman, PHP, Rolla No. 32
Donald L. Trabue, PHP, Jefferson City No. 34

Proposed Amendment Passed, May 14, 2004

Proposed Legislation Laid Over from 2003

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article XVIII, Life Membership, Section 164*, of the By-laws of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri be amended as follows:

(1) by striking all after “membership” and substituting “by computing the fee as 20 times the member's Chapter dues at the time of purchase of said life membership, provided that no life membership fee shall be less than \$300.00. All formulas shall be reviewed annually by the Committee on Life Membership, and if needed to be changed, submitted in writing in accordance with Article XXVIII, Change of By-laws”, and

(2) by repeal of paragraph 15.

PARAGRAPH 2 CURRENTLY STATES: Any member may purchase a life membership using the following method of computing the fee. Divide his chapter dues by 5% (or multiply by 20) and this will be the cost of a Life Membership if purchased between January 1 and June 30, if purchased after June 30, add one year's dues.

All formulas shall be reviewed annually by the Committee on Life Membership, and if needed to be changed, submitted in writing in accordance with Article XXVIII, *Change of By-Laws*.

PARAGRAPH 15 CURRENTLY STATES: The Committee of the Life Membership Program shall be empowered to establish a minimum fee for Life Membership. However, the minimum fee shall not be less that \$150.00. These fees shall be reviewed annually by the Committee of the Life Membership Program and a report made to the annual convocation.

IF ADOPTED THE WORDING OF PARAGRAPH 15 WILL NO LONGER EXIST.

PARAGRAPH 2 WILL THEN READ: Any member may purchase a life membership by computing the fee as 20 times the member's Chapter dues at the time of purchase of said life membership, provided that no life membership fee shall be less than \$300.00. All formulas shall be reviewed annually by the Committee on Life Membership, and if needed to be changed, submitted in writing in accordance with *Article XXVIII, Change of By-laws*.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: It is our understanding that the purpose of having a member pay an additional year's dues, who purchased a Life Membership after June 30, was due to the fact that the Grand Chapter could not generate a return on that Life Membership in less than six months time. Therefore, the additional year's dues should not have been part of the endowment, but used as a part of the earnings for distribution for that year. However, due to the wording of the existing by-laws, additional years' dues were deposited as part of the principal of the fund. This had not been all bad, as it has allowed for some growth in the fund, but in turn has caused unnecessary paperwork, confusion, and concern with many secretaries of subordinate Chapters. The necessary items in paragraph 15 are adequately covered elsewhere in this section and need not be duplicated. By establishing an increased minimum participation fee, doing away with the additional year's dues, and eliminating paperwork, it will provide for growth in the fund, while being less confusing for the Chapters and ease the management of the fund by the Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter Doyle, PHP, Vincil No. 110
Kenneth D. Dingman, PHP, Rolla No. 32
Donald L. Trabue, PHP, Jefferson City No. 34

Proposed Amendment Passed, May 14, 2004

Proposed Legislation Laid Over from 2003

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Convocations of the Grand Chapter, Section 1, Annual Convocations*, be amended by striking all after "held" and substituting "on the day immediately prior to the annual conclave of the Grand Commandery, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the City of Columbia or Jefferson City, provided that time of the next succeeding annual convocation may be changed by a majority vote of the Grand Chapter at any annual convocation, or as provided for in the Constitution, as amended in Article V, Section 1".

THIS SECTION CURRENTLY READS: The annual convocation of this Grand Chapter shall be held on the fourth Tuesday in April at 9 o'clock a.m. in the City of St. Louis, and shall continue in session from day to day at such hours as shall be found convenient, until the business presented for consideration shall have been fully disposed of, provided that time or place of meeting for the next succeeding annual convocation may be changed by a majority vote of the Grand Chapter at any annual convocation, or as provided for in the Constitution, as amended in Article V, Section 1.

IF ADOPTED THE SECTION WILL READ: The annual convocation of this Grand Chapter shall be held on the day immediately prior to the annual conclave of the Grand Commandery, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the City of Columbia or Jefferson City, provided that time of the next succeeding annual convocation may be changed by a majority vote of the Grand Chapter at any annual convocation, or as provided for in the Constitution, as amended in Article V, Section 1.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To establish a permanent meeting place for the Grand Chapter in or near the center of the state and to exhibit a sense of York Rite unity when all Grand Bodies can meet at the same time of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

David R. Vogler, PHP, Oriental Chapter No. 78

Emory J. Hampel, PHP, Mt. Nebo Chapter No. 148

Ronnie E. Green, PHP, Oriental Chapter No. 78

Joseph F. Wiegert, PHP, Oriental Chapter No. 78

James L. Inukai, PHP, Rabboni Chapter No. 131

Proposed Amendment Failed, May 14, 2004

Proposed Legislation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article 1 Section 1, Annual Convocations* of the By-laws of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri be amended by striking all after “held” and substituting the following in lieu thereof, “on the Thursday preceding the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m. The Annual Conclave shall be a Part of a Grand York Rite Session held in conjunction with the Grand Council and the Grand Commandery of Missouri. The location shall be determined by a Committee on Time and Place that shall consist of the Grand King of the Grand Chapter of Missouri, the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of Missouri, and the Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. If the Committee cannot come to a unanimous decision a General Session of the Grand York Rite will be called on the Friday preceding the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m. during the Grand York Rite Session and the matter will be voted on by all voting members of all three Grand York Rite Bodies. The proposal receiving the most votes will be binding on all three York Rite Bodies. Thus the Grand York Rite Session shall be held on the third Saturday in May along with the preceding Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Wednesday shall be Grand Council Day, Thursday shall be Grand Chapter Day, Friday shall be Grand York Rite Day and Saturday shall be Grand Commandery Day. The Grand York Rite Day shall be used for unfinished business of the other days, meetings of appendant or honor bodies, drill competition, joint sessions, and any other business that the three Presiding Officers shall agree upon.”

ARTICLE 1 SEC. 1. ANNUAL CONVOCATIONS CURRENTLY READS: The annual convocation of this Grand Chapter shall be held on the fourth Tuesday in April at 9 o'clock A.M. in the City of St. Louis, and shall continue in session from day to day at such hours as shall be found convenient, until the business presented for consideration shall have been fully disposed of; provided that time or place of meeting for the next

succeeding annual convocation may be changed by a majority vote of the Grand Chapter at any annual convocation, or as provided for in the Constitution, as amended in Article V, Section 1.

AS AMENDED, ARTICLE 1 SEC. 1. ANNUAL CONVOCATIONS WILL READ:

The annual convocation of this Grand Chapter shall be held on the Thursday preceding the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m. The Annual Conclave shall be a Part of a Grand York Rite Session held in conjunction with the Grand Council and the Grand Commandery of Missouri. The location shall be determined by a Committee on Time and Place that shall consist of the Grand King of the Grand Chapter of Missouri, the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of Missouri, and the Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. If the Committee cannot come to a unanimous decision a General Session of the Grand York Rite will be called on the Friday preceding the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m. during the Grand York Rite Session and the matter will be voted on by all voting members of all three Grand York Rite Bodies. The proposal receiving the most votes will be binding on all three York Rite Bodies. Thus the Grand York Rite Session shall be held on the third Saturday in May along with the preceding Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Wednesday shall be Grand Council Day, Thursday Shall be Grand Chapter Day, Friday shall be Grand York Rite Day and Saturday shall be Grand Commandery Day. The Grand York Rite Day shall be used for unfinished business of the other days, meetings of appendant or honor bodies, drill competition, joint sessions, and any other business that the three Presiding Officers shall agree upon.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To promote York Rite Unity, to provide for a means of appointment and function of Joint Committees of the Grand York Rite. This would also relieve the time constraints placed on all of the Grand York Rite Bodies during their annual meetings. Finally, to avoid the possibility of extra expense that would be incurred should the Grand York Rite Bodies have separate sessions at separate times and location. This amendment should not become effective until and if all three York Rite Grand Bodies have passed similar legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

George R. Johnson, PHP, Liberty Chapter No. 3

Paul K. Kawakami, PHP, Grandview Chapter No. 145

William S. Hall, PHP, East Gate Chapter No. 136

James C. Rodgers, PHP, East Gate Chapter No. 136

Chester H. Hazen, PHP, East Gate Chapter No. 136

Forrest G. Lowe, PHP, East Gate Chapter No. 136

Orville E. Newberry, PHP, East Gate Chapter No. 136

Gerald V. Phillips, PHP, East Gate Chapter No. 136

Robert W. Brizendine, PHP, East Gate Chapter No. 136

Robert W. Vanderpool, PHP, East Gate Chapter No. 136

Proposed Amendment Failed, May 14, 2004

Proposed Legislation

Palmyra Chapter No. 2, Royal Arch Masons

1. Historical

Palmyra Chapter No. 2, R.A.M. received its original charter from the General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, September 14, 1838. A second charter was granted from the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, State of Missouri, in 1848.

Palmyra Chapter No.2, R.A.M. was one of the organizing chapters of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, State of Missouri.

Palmyra Chapter has been in a state of disarray for several years. Because of its historical significance, we feel it must be preserved.

2. Proposal

It is proposed that Palmyra Chapter No. 2, R.A.M. be given a research and an educational function. We propose that it become a storehouse for Royal Arch and York Rite educational material to be distributed to Master Masons in the State of Missouri. The educational material would include not only printed papers but also videos and films. It could also be a source of historical documents (old charters, seals and other pertinent files). Another valuable application would be a provision for Royal Arch references such as the Denslow collections of books and pamphlets and for other collections written by other Missouri Masonic authors.

A possible home for this material might be within the proposed Library of the Missouri Lodge of Research to be located in Columbia.

It is also proposed that a governing body of Palmyra Chapter No. 2 be composed of the Past Grand High Priests of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, State of Missouri. A line of succession would start with the current senior Past Grand High Priest. Committee members would also be selected from that pool of senior Past Grand High Priests. The current Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary could function in their respective capacities to provide administrative expertise.

An annual meeting hour could be at a time during the Grand Chapter session. A separate account would be established by the Grand Treasurer for Palmyra Chapter No. 2. Current members would be grandfathered in a current dues structure. New members will be: 23 Past Grand High Priests, to become Life Members of Palmyra Chapter No. 2 at cost of the Grand Chapter; current Grand High Priest, life membership paid by the Grand Chapter of Missouri upon his taking office; Honorary Memberships to be sold for \$50.00; Life Memberships to be sold for \$500.00. Current cost to Grand Chapter would be \$12,000.00.

Membership will receive quarterly newsletter, certificate of membership, and a dues card. Life Members will receive one time issue of credit card style dues card with picture and current Grand Chapter title. Replacement cards will be charged at cost.

Details of operation and precise functions remain to be developed.

3. Request

It is urged that the Grand Chapter membership consider this proposal and join us in creating a living memorial in behalf of those who founded and served Palmyra Chapter during the past 166 years.

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Williams, PGHP, Grand Historian

Robert W. Schlichter, PGHP, Chairman Jurisprudence Committee

Delbert R. Gentry, GHP

Kevin B. Sample, PHP, Grand Secretary

Ralph B. Bunnell, PGHP, Member Historical Review Committee

Standing Resolution Passed, May 14, 2004

Proposed Standing Resolution

WHEREAS, the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Holy Royal Masons of the State of Missouri, PHA has existed in the State of Missouri since 1872, having initially been chartered by the Pennsylvania Jurisdiction, and does profess to adhere to Masonic principles and ideas similar to those of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri,

AND WHEREAS, the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri has existed in the State of Missouri since 1846,

AND WHEREAS, each of the said Grand Chapters desire to remain autonomous within its Jurisdiction and to operate hereafter with its own Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Officers, Constitution, By-Laws, Ritual, Rules and Regulations, Subordinate Chapters, and Membership,

AND WHEREAS, both Grand Chapters desire to fraternally recognize the other as a duly constituted Masonic Grand Chapter,

AND WHEREAS, this resolution will not become effective until approved by each Grand Chapter at their respective Annual Sessions,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that it is mutually agreed that we will dwell together in Peace and Harmony; each Grand Chapter does hereafter extend Fraternal Recognition to the other as a duly constituted Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, and do, in the true spirit of Love, Peace, and Unity hereby accord to the other rights of Visitation in Grand Chapters and Subordinate Chapters, wheresoever assembled, subject always to the Rights, Powers, and Authority of the Grand High Priests and the High Priests of the Subordinate Chapters to preside over their respective Grand Chapters and Chapters.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin B. Sample, Grand Secretary, PHP, Poplar Bluff Chapter No. 114

Proposed Resolution Passed, May 14, 2004

Proposed Legislation to Lay Over to 2005

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Article III, Sec. 1. Of Whom Concerned, paragraph (2) of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri be amended as follows: By changing the words “The King, and The Scribe of” to “King, Scribe, and the Secretary of.”

THIS SECTION OF THE CONSTITUTION CURRENTLY READS: The High Priest, The King, and The Scribe of each chartered chapter working under this Grand Chapter.

IF ADOPTED, THIS SECTION WOULD READ: The High Priest, King, Scribe, and the Secretary of each chartered chapter working under this Grand Chapter.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The office of Secretary is an integral part of each subordinate Chapter and at times the only representative at the Annual Convocation. This very important officer is not currently entitled to vote unless he is a Past High Priest of a subordinate Chapter. Some Secretaries are NOT Past High Priests and do maintain the most significant responsibilities of the Chapter; that officer should be entitled to vote as such.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin B. Sample, Grand Secretary, PHP, Poplar Bluff Chapter No. 114

Proposed Legislation to Lay Over to 2005

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article IX, Revenues of the Grand Chapter, Sec. 40, Annual dues*, be amended by striking all after “seven dollars and fifty cents” and substituting, “per capita for each member borne on the rolls of the Chapter, on the 31st day of December, preceding the annual convocation of the Grand Chapter, and the sum of two dollars for all dues remitted by the Subordinate Chapter for the purposes of paying for the Royal Arch Mason Magazine and the per capita for the General Grand Chapter on those members whose dues have been remitted”.

THIS SECTION CURRENTLY READS: Every chartered Chapter shall annually pay to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Grand Chapter, seven dollars and fifty cents per annum plus the per capita of the General Grand Chapter for each member borne on the rolls of the Chapter, on the 31st day of December preceding the annual convocation of the Grand Chapter, except those whose dues have been remitted on account of pecuniary inability to pay the same.

IF ADOPTED, THIS SECTION WILL READ: Every chartered Chapter shall annually pay to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Grand Chapter, seven dollars and fifty cents per capita for each member borne on the rolls of the Chapter, on the 31st day of December, preceding the annual convocation of the Grand Chapter, and the sum of two dollars for all dues remitted by the Subordinate Chapter for the purposes of paying for the Royal Arch Mason Magazine and the per capita for the General Grand Chapter on those members whose dues have been remitted.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To have the Subordinate Chapters cover the costs of the Companions whose dues have been remitted. The Magazine costs approximately \$1.50 per member and the General Grand Chapter per capita is approximately \$0.45. We do not feel that the Grand Chapter should bear the expense.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Doyle, PHP, Vincil Chapter No. 110

William R. Probst, PHP, Greenfield Chapter No. 38

Proposed Legislation to Lay Over to 2005

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article VIII, Powers of the Grand Chapter, Section 1.9* of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri, be amended by addition of Subsection (a), to wit, "Palmyra Chapter No. 2, because of its historical significance to the Grand Chapter of Missouri, is hereby designated an historical Chapter for the purpose of serving as a single repository for educational material, printed materials, videos, films or any other media having historical reference to the Royal Arch in Missouri except for those files in use by the Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer in the performance of their statutory duties."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Governance of Palmyra Chapter No. 2 shall be as stipulated in the By-laws of the Grand Chapter of the State of Missouri.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The affairs of Palmyra Chapter No. 2 have been in a serious state of disarray for several years. Palmyra Chapter No. 2, having received its first charter from the General Grand Chapter in 1848, is the oldest and the single surviving Chapter without alteration in Missouri that was originally chartered by the General Grand Chapter. Palmyra Chapter No. 2 was a leading instigator in the institution of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Missouri. Palmyra Chapter No. 2 is, and therefore should be retained as, a living memorial in behalf of those who founded Royal Arch Masonry in Missouri and, served Royal Arch Masonry in Missouri for the past 166 years. It is for these reasons that we strongly support an amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of the State of Missouri.

Fraternally submitted,

James M. Williams, PGHP, Grand Historian

Robert W. Schlichter, PGHP, Chairman Jurisprudence Committee

Delbert R. Gentry, GHP

Kevin B. Sample, PHP, Grand Secretary

Ralph B. Bunnell, PGHP, Member Historical Review Committee

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri:

The proposed budget herein listed reflects estimated Income, Salaries and Allowances, and Appropriations for the year 2004-2005:

Income

Per Capita, Membership 4,950 @ \$7.50	\$ 37,125.00
Per Capita, Life Membership	1,800.00
Exaltation Fees, 75 @ \$10.00	750.00
Interest on Investments	2,175.00
Transfer from General Fund *	4,384.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
Total	\$ 46,484.00

Salaries and Allowances

Grand High Priest Expense	\$ 3,500.00
Grand Treasurer	500.00
Grand Secretary	9,000.00
Clerical Assistant	6,000.00
Employment Taxes	1,218.00
Total	\$ 20,218.00

Appropriations

Office Expenses	\$ 1,800.00
Office Rent	2,340.00
Postage	1,500.00
Equipment, Maintenance & Repair	2,000.00
Printing of Proceedings	2,700.00
Insurance	300.00
Internal Audit	150.00
Storage Rent	950.00
Royal Arch Magazine	7,500.00
Editor, Royal Arch Mason Magazine	50.00
Past Grand High Priest Jewel	300.00
Triennial Fund (6,321 @ \$0.07)	442.00
Per Capita to General Grand Chapter (6,321 @ \$0.45)	2,844.00
Convocation Expense	2,000.00
Grand Officer Expense	400.00
Ritual Committee	250.00
Education	100.00
Capital Asset Fund *	390.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
Total	\$ 26,266.00

Total Income **\$ 46,484.00**

Total Salaries and Allowances **\$ 20,218.00**

Total Appropriations **\$ 26,266.00**

Total Expenses **\$ 46,484.00**

** The Committee and Grand High Priest had previously established a new budget item for capital asset purchases, to be transferred to and accumulate in a separate fund for said purpose. This item was mistakenly not presented at the 2004 Grand Convocation, however was approved by the Finance Committee in April 2004 and approved by the Grand High Priest to include with this report. The transfer from the General Fund was amended to account for this expense.*

Fraternally Submitted,
Donald L. Trabue
Kirk McDaniel, Jr.

George Merkle
Harley L. Kropf, Chairman

Proposed Budget Passed, May 14, 2004

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS OF CHAPTERS

To the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions, on March 27, 2004, I examined the returns of the Chapters and overall found them to be in fair condition. I would like to compliment our Grand Secretary, who made this task a simple and pleasant one.

Following is some of the problems we found with the returns; no audit reports, no seal on the returns, missing officers, same companions holding multiple elected stations, no High Priest signature, etc. It is sad to report that as of this date, we have ten Chapters who have not made an Annual Report. These Chapters are: Palmyra, Liberty, Hannibal, Linn, Ralls, Clinton, George F. Gouley, Joplin, Owens, and Kingsway. Companions, it is hard for the Financial Committee to set a budget when we have so many Chapters not making Annual Returns on time.

Companions, it is sad to report we are continuing to decrease in membership at the average of ten percent a year. There must be a way to put emphasis on the retention of membership. Realizing we cannot do anything about the deaths, we need to concentrate on stopping the suspensions and demits. That is why I am recommending that we incorporate the Three R's, Retention, Re-motivation, and Recruitment, in Royal Arch Masonry.

Being a member of the Life Membership Committee for many years, this is the first year we will be able to pay back one hundred per cent that is due the Chapters.

In closing, I would recommend that we strive to get more members to join the Life Membership program, this would stop the decline.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter W. Doyle, Grand King

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRIENNIAL

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International is busy with the preparations of the Sixty Sixth Triennial Convocation which will be held in Rapid City, South Dakota at a hotel at the foot of Mount Rushmore in October 2005. At this time that is all the details we have. You will be informed as things progress.

Respectfully submitted,
Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.
José R. Palacios, Chairman

GRAND CHAPTER SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**PRELIMINARY REPORT OF AUDIT COMMITTEE**

An audit of the financial records of the Grand Chapter was conducted on April 18, 2004, with the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer in attendance. This audit focused primarily upon the record keeping practices and controls placed upon the

finances of the Grand Chapter by the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer with limited incursions into actual receipts and expenses from the individual accounts as previously authorized in the approved budget by the Finance Committee. The Committee notes that the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer maintain a successive list of warrants that successively and successfully track income to and expenditures from the various line items contained in the budget. The Committee further notes that each officer maintains a balance sheet to report such activity on a continual basis. The balance sheets are readily deciphered even by an untrained eye. The lack of balance sheets from Committees having oversight of the income and expenditure of some funds is particularly troublesome especially as these relate to the tax-exempt standing of the Grand Chapter. The Committee observed that some of the equipment utilized by the Grand Secretary in the performance of his duties are leased items. The Committee also observed that some supplies are donated items for the use of the Grand York Rite of Missouri and that some of the office equipment and shelving utilized by these officers is donated for the benefit of the Grand York Rite of Missouri. The audit took into account the amount of space being utilized by the Grand York Rite. The Grand York Rite office is manned on a near 24/7 basis and functions with only the assistance of one other paid employee. Taxes are computed and paid for these employees and adequate records are maintained for that purpose. The Committee did review the 990 forms utilized to document the tax payments of the Grand Chapter and found them in order. The Committee found that some original paperwork documenting the tax-exempt status of the Grand York Rite was missing. The Committee notes that a number of Subordinate Chapters have filed no annual returns, paid per capita tax, or have filed late returns. The lack of doing so complicates the maintenance of accurate membership statistics that are used to project and prepare the annual budget. Furthermore, this lackadaisical attitude and lack of record keeping and submission results in unnecessary costs to the general fund of the Grand Chapter.

It is the understanding of the Audit Committee that some initial planning has taken place for the conduct of a dollars and cents internal audit following the close of the Grand Session this year.

Recommendations:

1. that a complete inventory be conducted of all the property being held in storage. It is recommended that a committee of Past Grand Heads of Bodies be appointed for this purpose.
2. that such committee focus on items that are out dated or can no longer be utilized with an eye towards dispersal in order to reduce the necessity to retain scattered storage locations thereby reducing costs to the Grand York Rite. Such material includes desks, typewriters, and printers to name a few.
3. that such committee reviews all documentation currently in storage and determines its intrinsic value for retention or destruction.
4. that having done so, the committee explores the means of reducing items (documentation and papers) selected for retention to electronic media thereby again reducing the necessity for retaining and paying for additional storage space.
5. that practice be put in place to require financial statements from all committees having oversight of any funds associated with the Grand Chapter, including those of the charities.
6. that practice be put in place to enforce the filing of annual returns and payment of per capita and/or penalties in a more timely manner.

7. that a paper inventory be established to identify and segregate property actually under the control and ownership of the Grand York Rite as opposed to that being donated by the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer.

8. that any proposed internal audit be conducted as near as possible after the close of the books for the Grand Session.

9. that the Grand Treasurer continues his pursuit of and obtains such documentation as is necessary to corroborate the 501(c) (10) filing status for the Grand York Rite of Missouri.

In closing, it should be noted that one of the names appearing as signatory on this report was not as originally appointed by the Grand High Priest. In the waning hours immediately prior to the date and time scheduled for the conduct of the audit, it became quite apparent that the majority of the Committee had dissolved itself. It therefore became necessary to relieve the burden and fill the void by grabbing a willing soul. That was done. So be it!

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Cannon, Member
Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman

Physical Inventory of Grand York Rite and Personal Equipment In Use

Grand York Rite Equipment

Dell Server PE600SC, 4 CPU, 3.06 GHz, 1 MB RAM, 40G Raid 1 Hard Drives, Windows 2000 Server, Office XP Professional, CDRW, 20/40G Tape Backup, 19" Dell Monitor, & interface devices. Dell Customer No. 023083724, Service Tag: JCPTW21, Express Service Code: 42127843465

M&S Computers, 664 MHz, 320 MB RAM, 40G Hard Drive, Windows XP, Office XP Pro, Colorado Tape B/U (inoperative), 17" Sony Monitor, & interface devices

HP OfficeJet Pro 1170 Color Copier/Printer, S/N SG883AG543

HP LaserJet 6P Printer, S/N USCD008698

HP LaserJet 6P Printer, S/N USDH056632

HP OfficeJet Fax/Copier, S/N US66J100J

SmartUPS 700, 3 each

KVA Switch

Linksys 8-port Hub

Parts & Pieces not in use:

DeskJet 855, S/N SG64414177; DeskJet 820, S/N SG66H1818G; HP PhotoSmart 1215, S/N MY081120G9 (inop); HP ScanJet 5P, S/N SG6CK121G8; 3 phones, answering machine, 3 intercom sets; ADC 15" monitor; parts/pieces of two inop PC's.

GN Netcom telephone headset

Admiral Dorm/Apartment Size Refrigerator, S/N 961007363

Pitney Bowes Stamp Machine/Scale, leased equipment

Cannon Image Runner 2200, Copier/Network Printer, leased equipment

Martin Yale 959 Paper Folder, S/N 14367

Document File/Storage Cabinet, 3 each

Desk, L-shaped pine x 6' matching work table

Two-Drawer horizontal File Cabinet (Education Foundation)

Desk Lamp, Model 1575
 Desk Chairs, 3 each
 Book Case, (Bruce Hunt) 6 section Glass Window
 Coat Rack, wood
 8' Folding Table
 File Cabinets, 1 yellow, 1 grey (1 Education Foundation)
 Small Table
 Typewriter Table
 Paper Cutter, small green
 IBICO comb binding machine
 Brother P-Touch Label Printer, S/N U60278-M3J597041
 Radio Shack tape recorder, 2 each
 Globe Safe, non-fire-proof
 6' industrial doormat
 Texas Instrument TI-5032 Adding Machine
 Charters and documents in GYR Library
 Various office supplies/consumables

Personal Equipment used in performing the functions of Grand Secretary/Recorder

Dell 1.2 GHz PC w/ 17" monitor, Windows XP, Office XP Pro
 Dell 2.6 GHz PC w/ 17" flat monitor, Windows XP, Office XP Pro
 HP PhotoSmart 7960 color printer
 Epson 636U scanner
 Toshiba Satellite Pro Laptop Computer
 Cannon Digital Camera
 UPS
 D-Link wireless hub
 Palm m515
 Palm m105
 Office Chair, black
 Executive Desk, cherry laminate
 Desk, 5' 5 drawer
 Small 2/3 drawer file cabinets, 3 each
 Horizontal File cabinet, 2-drawer, cherry laminate
 Fire safe, small
 Desk Lamp, 2 each
 Phone, 2 each
 Document File/Storage Cabinet, 1 each
 28" L' shaped TV/bookcase, and all contents
 Hepa Air Purifier
 4' folding table
 5' x 5.5' adjustable book cases, 6 each
 Contents of two book cases in copier room
 Paper Cutter, gray roller
 File Cabinets, 5-drawer, black, 3 each
 Oscillating Fan
 Document Shredder

Contents of all book cases in copier room

All wall furnishings except charters and documents in GYR Library

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARITY

To the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, State of Missouri:

Companions: The Charity Committee is pleased to report that the Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri Foundation Account approved the request of the Grand High Priest.

The Charity Committee of the Royal Arch Research Foundation Account is pleased to grant the request of the Grand High Priest, Delbert R. Gentry, in the amount of \$5,050.00 to the following charities:

Royal Arch Research Assistance (RARA)	\$ 2,000.00
DeMolay Leadership Conference Scholarship	600.00
Rainbow for Girls Leadership Conference	600.00
Jobs Daughters Leadership Conference	600.00
Masonic Home of Missouri	750.00
Noyes Home	<u>500.00</u>
Total	\$ 5,050.00

The interest from this Foundation is used for the charities of the Grand High Priest. The amount given cannot exceed the interest earned.

Fraternally Submitted,
Earl W. Orr, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LIFE MEMBERSHIP

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: It is always a pleasure to report that we had an increase in members; who are giving the perpetual gift to their chapter by becoming lifetime members and the members and the committee thanks each of you and all other members for your devotion to Royal Arch Masonry. We must also thank Our Grand Treasurer and our Grand King for all their work on behalf of this endeavor. Our investments are profitable and in good hands.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter W. Doyle
Roy A. Welshon, Sr.
Donald L. Trabue
Kevin B. Sample
José R. Palacios, Chairman

LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES ISSUED

Certificate No.	Companion	Chapter	Exalted	Issued
458	McLemore, IV, Christopher C.	38	18-Apr-80	29-May-03
459	Slone, Gentry E.	10	01-Nov-02	14-Nov-03
460	Walters, Jr., Victor Cuthbert	12	05-May-78	22-Dec-03
461	Payne, William Dudley	17	07-Mar-64	23-Feb-04
462	Odneal, Lewis Clifford	94	16-Apr-90	30-Mar-04
463	Armstrong, Michael Franklin	3	28-Oct-89	01-Apr-04
464	Doyle, Walter Wesley	38	05-Nov-82	09-Apr-04
465	Conner, Orvie Leslie	52	18-Oct-71	04-May-04

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LONG RANGE PLANNING

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions, in consideration of the fact that York Rite Masonry in Missouri must grow to continue its survival, this Committee, at the request of the Grand High Priest, arrived at the following recommendations for consideration and/or inclusion in any planned goals or objectives for membership growth to be pursued by the Grand Chapter of Missouri in the years ahead:

The members of this Committee recognized the formidable challenge faced in exposing the sum of all influences working today against the growth of the Masonic Fraternity, and the practical impossibility of reporting and printing all that is capable of eroding its membership base.

They acknowledged that the magnitude and nature of this challenge automatically sets certain boundaries as to what can be incorporated into any proposed long-range plan for fighting membership decline.

It became clear also that the steps involved in any such plan not only must be sufficiently general so that all may be able to come to agreement with them but be accomplishable using the limited available time and money to be donated and the limited available human resources to be volunteered.

With these limitations in mind, the Committee arrived at the following conclusions and fourteen (14) underlined recommendations for possible future implementation and development by the Grand Chapter of Missouri:

The Committee determined that during the last forty years membership in Masonry as well as all other fraternal organizations has dropped by half, and that half of Masonic membership in Missouri today is over 71 years of age.

It was also determined that our membership problem is related to the fact that, as a group, the generations born after World War II have not been joiners, and that during these decades a man had to first approach a Mason with a desire to join in order to become one.

While it is possible now for Masons to solicit new members, it remains true however to this day that not every adult male relative or friend may possess the type of attitudes or beliefs which would enable him to benefit from Masonic membership.

Therefore, it was felt that recruitment of new members needs to remain selective.

Every Royal Arch Mason is to develop his own personal mission to selectively recruit those he knows who ought to be one from the members of his own family, professional colleagues, neighbors, and friends.

To that end the Blue Lodges may not always be the most productive places to go looking for new Chapter members, i.e., it may work better to interest a non-Mason first in the entire York Rite where more will happen.

Since every Master Mason should be a Royal Arch Mason, it may prove advantageous to organize and conduct future York Rite Conferences in such a way as to permit Master Masons who do not yet belong to Chapters, Councils, or Commanderies to attend them.

It also may be found expedient for the Grand Chapter to assign a Royal Arch Ambassador to each Blue Lodge, with a special nameplate of recognition containing the name and number of the Lodge, to improve communication and promote potential membership.

It was felt that the Grand Chapter, along with the Grand Council and Grand Commandery, should continue maintaining a physical presence, and distribute York Rite literature and information, at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge.

It was also felt that the Grand Chapter might begin to appoint a Royal Arch Ambassador to the various other appendant Masonic bodies, especially the Scottish Rite, and for those bodies to appoint their own Ambassadors to the Grand Chapter, for the purpose of establishing cooperation and finding ways of improving membership in both organizations simultaneously for mutual benefit.

The Committee felt that any plan to reverse declining membership must consider retention and be geared to reduce suspensions and demits by understanding and trying to counteract their causes.

It was determined that Masonry cannot reach a potential member to begin improving the world through him unless it also reaches the woman in his life and convinces her of its good effects.

The Committee therefore felt that providing good men and their ladies with a means of social interaction with other good men and their ladies is a duty incumbent to every Lodge, Chapter, Council, and Commandery.

It was determined that Masonry has to do with self-improvement, philanthropies, and a host of other worthwhile things, but above all else, it is about friendships.

It is about human connections.

It is about the things that people, by their own admission, miss most as they grow older.

The Committee therefore felt that providing men and their ladies with a venue in which they can, on a regular basis, strengthen existing friendships and form new ones while at the same time be part of something bigger than self and, in the process, help to make the world a better place, should be the core idea for promoting our fraternity to the outside world.

The reasons for this are simple:

This is what gets men to join the Lodge and Chapter.

This is what gets them to attend meetings.

This is what keeps them paying their dues.

This is what keeps them from getting suspended or requesting a demit.

Chapters exist for the Companions, not the Companions for the Chapters.

A means therefore should be developed to permit Chapters to hold daylight

meetings, or even establish daylight Chapters, to accommodate those Companions who can no longer attend evening meetings or travel after dark due to health reasons or having to work nights.

The Committee also recognized that those Chapters which are remaining most viable, staying together, and accomplishing what they need to do, have officers who are practicing the skills of leadership.

Therefore, it was felt that a means of acquainting all Royal Arch Masons in this state with the principles involved with the eleven (11) Leadership Skills should be made available; either by holding separately scheduled educational forums for this purpose or by extending the Regional York Rite Conferences to include them.

The Committee felt that a complete and full understanding and application of this teaching by every Companion in this state would be more effective at fighting membership decline than any other single recommendation it can make.

It was also felt that an appropriate means of recognition would be advantageous to develop, such as a Grand Chapter Leadership Certificate, in return for attending a Grand Chapter sponsored Leadership Forum.

The Committee also recognized that the by-product of losing a good opportunity is lost growth, and lost growth in turn translates into loss of potential membership.

However the seizing of one good opportunity usually opens a door to more of the same.

It was felt therefore that our committees should be mindful of recognizing any good opportunity that presents itself, to recommend whatever action be taken which would result in the opportunity being seized rather than lost, and if lost, to commit to doing something to recover it again.

The Committee determined that a certain proportion of Companions each year would get into arrears on paying their dues because the timing on when their dues notices are received is not always the best.

Fraternal dues notices often arrive between Thanksgiving and Christmas/Hanukah at the same time that personal property taxes, holiday purchases, and many other bills come due, and sometimes a Chapter dues notice must wait until the new year to be paid.

It was also determined that dues notices arriving from some Chapters are making no provision for partial payment toward Life (Endowed) Membership.

To help minimize any potential financial hardship at year's end for dues paying members, the Committee recommends that dues cards be ordered from the Grand Secretary in August of the preceding year, and that Chapter Secretaries be encouraged to mail out dues notices so that they are received no later than October 1.

Chapter dues notices should in each case include a provision for making partial or full payment toward purchasing a Life (Endowed) Membership.

The Committee recognized that candidates need to receive the four Chapter degrees within a short time after they become eligible.

To that end, and to accommodate those less active Chapters which may lack the resources needed to put together their own degree teams, the Chapter Secretaries should be requested to assemble a listing of the Companions in their respective Chapters who participate in the various parts of the degrees and to send that record to the District Deputy Grand Lecturer, who may then share that information in the future, if requested, with any other Chapter in his respective District whenever it confers a degree(s).

Then, if the District Deputy Grand Lecturer would forward that same information to the Grand Lecturer who can in turn share it with all of his Deputies, it would place all of

them in a position to better direct any Chapter degree team leader to someone who may be able to fill the part(s) a Chapter may need to confer a certain degree(s).

The advantage of adopting this system over trying to organize and maintain regional degree teams would be that the demands it makes on time, expense, and manpower would be far less, to say nothing of making a degree team leader's job easier.

The more a candidate is impressed by what he sees and hears in the degrees, the more he will value his membership.

Therefore the Committee felt that, because of what it would add to the dignity, grandeur, and impressiveness of a conferral, and for the unforgettable impression it makes when properly done, a standardized program of organ music well performed and well chosen for its appropriateness to the Chapter degrees in consultation with the Grand Lecturer, if pursued, developed, recorded, and made available for distribution, would be highly desirable.

The members of this Committee wish to acknowledge the admirable efforts of those dedicated York Rite Masons who have worked diligently in many ways to stimulate membership growth, and to thank them for their dedication and sharing their wisdom with us.

Respectfully submitted,
George M. Merkle,
Steven C. Monrotus, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Membership is the one thing that should every Royal Arch Mason should be aware of; new members should be our number one priority. Without new members, we will eventually close our doors or our Chapters will not have enough members to operate or put on the degree work for new members. Are we too busy to ask a friend to join the York Rite? YES, the YORK RITE, not just the "Chapter", the York Rite is the answer.

We have dropped the ball in the past few years, particularly with the one-day classes. Where were we on those days, and don't say the Scottish Rite got them, because their reunions have only been 30 to 40 members, instead of the 100 to 200 they used to have. Is it that we as Masons (both York Rite and Scottish Rite) just don't care anymore, or have we just become lazy?

I do not have the answers; if I did, I could sell it to the Lions Clubs, American Legion, Elks, and all the rest.

Why is it that when a new young Master Mason gets his Third Degree, he forgets about coming back? Could it be that when he gets his First Degree, we are telling them that they should be a York Rite or Scottish Rite Mason? Should we be mentors to these new Masons, encouraging them and being visible as York Rite Masons, so they want to join us when they feel ready to do so?

The young men of today with families do not have the time that we did when most of us joined, there is so much going on with their children both with school and sports, therefore, we need to focus on events that the whole family can be invited to. Has your Chapter had a social event this past year that prospective members and their families

could be invited to? The future depends on US; each Chapter needs to start doing some strategic planning NOW, don't wait until it is too late.

Lastly, when we get a young man in our Lodge or Chapter and he has fresh new ideas, why does someone say, "We tried that twenty years ago and it didn't work." (or we didn't like it). Remember it only takes a spark to start a flame, and he might just have that spark.

I have just given you some thoughts to ponder, I do not have the answers, as I said, but if every one of us would just replace ourselves with one new member, and then take the time to nurture that new member, we can be assured that we have given new life to the York Rite of Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,
Lon Goede, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVIEW AND HISTORICAL

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest and Companions of the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

We, of the Review and Historical Committee, feel we have been "blessed" this year. We have asked the membership of the Grand Chapter to provide us with manuscripts dealing with the history of our chapters and our members. Delivery of such material has been somewhat slow. However, this year we were honored by the receipt of a splendid manuscript delineating the history of Lebanon Chapter No. 64. It is included with our 2004 report. Companion Jess Easley prepared a magnificent rendition of early Royal Arch Masonry in the Lebanon section of Missouri. We and other historical researchers will be indebted to Companion Easley for years to come!

Our regular historical review included the Civil War era this year. We took pains not to become too involved with the many Masonic facets of that period because we knew that once we had begun on that track we probably would have ended up with dozens of pages of worthy material. We would, however, like to call your attention to Allen E. Roberts' "House Undivided, The Story of Freemasonry and The Civil War". Brother Roberts' book, published in 1961, covered many of the happenings in Missouri. Our readers will be astounded at the amount of fascinating Masonic history that may be gleaned from this book.

A proposal dealing with a possible application of Palmyra Chapter No. 2 is contained in our annual report. We hope you will give it your sincere attention. The proposal is not "locked in concrete". Your suggestions will be gratefully studied.

We wish to thank Most Excellent Companions Robert W. Schlichter, Delbert R. Gentry, and Rt. Excellent Companion Kevin B. Sample for their advice and input on the Palmyra proposal. We also thank Companion Sample and his lady for their assistance with formatting our computer reports over the past few years. We thank you both!

Respectfully submitted,
Ralph P. Bunnell, PGHP
James M. Williams, PGHP, Grand Historian

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUAL

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: The Ritual Committee has issued only six (6) Proficiency Certificates this year, which were renewals. At the time of this report, there are 24 certificates in effect.

As Grand Lecturer, I decided that with the poor attendance of last year's statewide Ritual Schools, I would offer to hold Regional Schools this year. Region 1 held a school on Wednesday, October 29, 2003, at Shelbina Chapter No. 22 in Shelbina with 17 Companions present, six were from Region 1A.

On November 6, 2003, Region 3A and 3B school was held at Mt. Washington Chapter No. 142 in Independence with nine present.

On December 5, 2003, Region 4 school was held at Jefferson City Chapter No. 34 in Jefferson City with seven in attendance.

On December 13, 2003, Region 7 was to be held at Greenfield Chapter No. 38 in Greenfield. This had to be canceled due to snow.

On January 22, 2004, Region 3C at Warrensburg was canceled due to having been booked on a stated meeting night of another meeting in that hall.

On February 7, 2004, Region 7 held a school at Greenfield Chapter No. 35 in Greenfield. I was advised that the roads were bad due to weather so I did not make this school. I did not get a report so I do not know how this school turned out.

Region 3C held a school at a later date which I was unable to attend due to taking my wife to the doctor. I did not get a report so I do not know how the school turned out.

I had no request from Region 2, Region 5, or Region 6 for a school.

I have to commend Excellent Companion Hanson, District Deputy Grand Lecturer of Region 4 District A for his reports of activities.

Respectfully submitted,

Calvin D. Schroff, Grand Lecturer

REPORT OF THE EDITOR, ROYAL ARCH MASON MAGAZINE MISSOURI SECTION

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions, the Grand Chapter of Missouri and the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Missouri fund the printing of the eight pages of the "Missouri Section" in the General Grand Chapter Quarterly Publication *THE ROYAL ARCH MASON MAGAZINE*. This publication is mailed to all Royal Arch Masons of Missouri Chapters.

The Reverend Dr. J. C. Montgomery, Jr., Past Grand Master of Masons in Missouri has stepped down as Editor of the magazine after thirteen years of service. We acknowledge his dedicated service in Masonic journalism for the benefit of the Craft and offer a sincere "thank you" for excellent work.

The Reverend Dr. Gary Leazer was appointed the magazine Editor by General Grand High Priest J. Benny Allen beginning with the spring issue. He accepts articles for the general publication at P.O. Box 870523, Stone Mountain, GA 30087.

Robert H. Bray is Editor of the "Missouri Section" and accepts articles, photographs, etc. for statewide dissemination at P.O. Box 290, Fayette, MO 65248.

More Chapters and Councils need to contribute to the magazine with articles and photographs of officer installations, veteran member pin presentations and other newsworthy events such as classes of candidates, official visits of grand officers.

To the Secretaries of Chapters, I urge you to submit to the Grand Secretary's Office, exaltations, address changes, suspensions, and deaths in a timely manner in order that the subscription list can be maintained as accurately as possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Harris Bray, Editor

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROYAL ARCH RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: Your Royal Arch Research Assistance Committee is happy to report that Missouri Royal Arch Masons have once again shown their support to our philanthropy. Many Chapters have donated 100% which is \$1.00 per member. We thank them and every other chapter for their generosity and support. Missouri has always been in the top ten nationally in their donations to this worthy charity. Keep up the good work.

Respectfully submitted,
José R. Palacios, PGHP, Chairman
Foster Crawford, PGHP
Marion W. Dey
Albert E. Folds

P. Vincent Kinhead, PGHP
Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr. PGHP
Ralph B. Bunnell, PGHP
Kenneth Dingman, Jr.



MEC James B. Wall, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Kentucky and Executive Director of Royal Arch Research Assistance presents Oriental Chapter No. 78 with a lapel pin with two diamonds, their first lapel pin being filled out with diamonds, and thanking them for their continued support to RARA.

PRESENTATION OF CHARTER

The consolidation of St. Louis-Missouri Chapter No. 1 with St. Charles Chapter No. 111 resulted in the new chapter, St. Charles Missouri Chapter No. 1.



Most Excellent Companion Gentry presents the officers of St. Charles Missouri Chapter No. 1 with their charter.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The result of the first ballot was as follow: There were 152 ballots cast, 147 to advance the line and retain the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, 5 scattered. For Grand Master of the 1st Veil, there was not an election. Results were: Claude M. Eckert 55, Larry D. Wyatt 15, Ronald E. Wood, Jr. 13, George Merkle 12, James G. Wade 11, Daniel R. Quesenberry 5, 24 scattered. A second ballot was taken for Grand Master of the 1st Veil. Results of that ballot were: 150 ballots cast, Claude M. Eckert receiving 69, Daniel R. Quesenberry 15, George Merkle 15, James G. Wade 15, Larry D. Wyatt 12, Ronald E. Wood, Jr. 9, 11 scattered and 4 blank. Not being enough to elect, a third ballot for Grand Master of the 1st Veil was taken resulting in the election of Claude M. Eckert who received 112 votes, 30 were scattered.

The officers elected acknowledged their acceptance with appropriate words of thanks to the Companions.

The Grand Secretary moved and it was seconded to destroy the 2003 ballots.

Motion Approved, May 14, 2004.

REPORT OF GRAND HIGH PRIEST-ELECT

Grand High Priest-elect Walter W. Doyle announced the following appointments: Grand Chaplain – Eldon Cobb, Kenneth Dunlap – Grand Sentinel, James Nunn – Assistant Grand Sentinel, John Schofield – Grand Organist, Daniel Quesenberry – Grand Chorister, Matthew Quesenberry – Assistant Grand Chorister, and Calvin Schroff – Grand Lecturer. Steven Anderson will replace the current District Deputy Grand High Priest for Region 3, District B and Marion Dey will replace the current District Deputy Grand High Priest for Region 4, District A. Kenneth Dunlap will serve as District Deputy Grand Lecturer for Region 2, District B.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions, I move that the one hundred and Fifty-Ninth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri be held at the Lodge of the Ozarks Hotel in Branson, Missouri on Friday, May 20th, 2005, in conjunction with the Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri and the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri which will be held respectively on May 19th, 2005 and May 21st, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter W. Doyle, Grand King

Motion Approved, May 14, 2004



MEC José R. Palacios, South Central Deputy General Grand High Priest, General Grand Principal Sojourner, and Personal Representative of MEC J. Benny Allen, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International, addresses the Grand Convocation.

AFTERNOON SESSION: AWARDS PRESENTATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Most Excellent Companion Delbert R. Gentry welcomed the Companions, ladies, and guests to the Awards Ceremony and Installation of Officers. He thanked them all for their support and allowing him to serve as Grand High Priest.

2003-2004 DISTINGUISHED CHAPTER AWARDS



Most Excellent Companion Delbert R. Gentry presents the 2003-2004 Distinguished Chapter Awards. *Award recipients may be found in the report of the Committee on Education on page 49.*

2003-2004 CHAPTER LEWIS AND CLARK AWARDS



Most Excellent Companion Delbert R. Gentry awards the 2003-2004 Chapter Lewis and Clark Awards. *Award recipients may be found in the historical listing of the same on pages 93-96.*

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Award presentation was made at the annual banquet, see page 336. List of historical recipients, 92.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

INSTALLING OFFICERS



Robert W. Schlichter, PGHP
Robert R. Anderson, Jr., PGHP
José R. Palacios

Installing Grand High Priest
Installing Grand Marshal
Installing Grand Chaplain



Most Excellent Companion Robert R. Anderson, Jr. presents the 2004-2005 Grand Chapter Officers for installation, May 14, 2004.



MEC Doyle is greeted in the East by MEC Schlichter.

PRESENTATION OF APRON AND JEWEL



On behalf of the Order of the High Priesthood, President Paul K. Kawakami presented Past Grand High Priest Gentry with his apron.



Most Excellent Companion Gentry presents Most Excellent Companion Doyle with the jewel of his office. MEC Gentry was then presented with the new jewel of his office, that of Past Grand High Priest.



The officers and members of Vincil Chapter No. 110 present the new Grand High Priest with an apron case, a gavel, and *The Hat*.



The members of Greenfield Chapter 38 present the Grand High Priest with a Life Membership for his many years of support of that Chapter.



The Hat! MEC Doyle expressed that in his travels, he found in many other jurisdictions, the Grand High Priest wears a hat while presiding. It was explained that many years ago in Missouri, the Grand High Priest was covered. He went on to ask that each High Priest in the Subordinate Chapters consider a cover.

He also encouraged Chapters to start Daylight Chapters to provide an opportunity for some of the older members to get out and be with their Companions without the risk of driving at night.

Finally, he encouraged all to try different things, and to read the book “Who Moved My Cheese.”

REVIEW AND HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons:

This and subsequent material has been adapted primarily from “A History of Royal Arch Masonry in the State of Missouri” by Ray V. Denslow. It was first published in 1932. It was issued by Authority of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons State of Missouri. From time to time, other references will be referred to. They were credited by their source.

The Period 1861-1863 (Civil War)

“On Wednesday, May 22nd, 1861, the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri was opened in the City of St. Louis; its Convocation continued through Thursday and Friday, and then was followed by the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge on the Monday following: this was the first of the annual meetings of any of the Grand Bodies to be held following the declaration of war on April 9th and we are naturally interested in what the Grand High Priest, J.W. Crane, had to say concerning the threatening war clouds:

“We, as the representatives of the subordinate Chapters, of this grand body, are again permitted to meet in this hall dedicated to brotherly love, relief and truth, to legislate for the best interests of the fraternity; and I sincerely hope that, in all your

deliberations and acts, you will have but one aim in view – that is, to do all in your power to promote peace and harmony amongst the companions throughout the State. This duty seems to me to be imperative upon us at this time, owing to the National difficulties which are alienating one State from another: and indeed its baneful influence has made its way into our sacred domiciles, creating anarchy and discord around our once happy and peaceful firesides. Under the benign influence of the teachings of Royal Arch Masonry, so far as I am advised, peace and harmony prevails; but owing to the distracted condition of our beloved State, comparatively but few members have been added to the list of the past year.

“My Companions, the trying and severe ordeal under which we are now passing, in a national point of view, justifies me to admonish you to exercise moderation towards our Companions who may differ from us in our opinions touching our troubles; forget not that they are Brethren; let your charity for them be as expansive as the blue arch of heaven; let us not forget these truly Masonic virtues which teach us peace on earth and good will towards men.”

From the pen of Brother Anthony O’Sullivan, who, like Jeremiah of old, predicts the fateful consequence of war, we are constrained to quote:

“The perusal of old proceedings commented on convinces us that in the several Grand Chapters and their subordinates, peace and brotherly love prevail. No exhibition of unfraternal feelings are observable. No unmasonic language falls harshly on the ear. The comments of writers are courteous, and evince a desire to avoid exciting the passions or prejudices of their companions. And the conclusion at which we arrive is that within the past year a large measure of prosperity has been meted out to Royal Arch Masonry.

“If we are deeply impressed with the works of creation, what an ample field for thought is offered to the contemplative mind by the changing year, bringing at stated times, spring, summer, autumn, winter, typical of childhood, youth, manhood, old age! How sudden and startling the change from winter to spring! It is but a few weeks and the angry blasts of winter, like the fierce wrath of a passionate man, was heard loud and boisterous, when they suddenly disappear before the invigorating breezes of spring. The rivers and brooklets bursting from the icy embrace which so long bound them, are now rushing with headlong impetuosity to lose themselves in the restless ocean, fit emblem of unbridled youth. As we write, the prairies bordering our cottage home are like a piece of rich tapestry, decked with thousands of beautiful variegated flowers, the handiwork of God. The birds, silent in winter, now joyous, send forth from their little warbling throats hymns of praise and thanksgiving. The voice of the husbandman is heard in cheerful strains, as with vigorous arm he guides the plough, preparing the earth to receive the seeds, which will at the appointed time send forth a bountiful reward for his labor. Thus, God plants the seed of his divine love in the hearts of men, and when scattered on fruitful soil, and watered by the tears of repentance, brings forth an abundant harvest of generous thoughts of noble deeds. The earth itself, like a beautiful bride decked with gorgeous vestments, yields itself to the invigorating embrace of the sun. When earth and air are resonant with the praises of God, why is it that man alone, like an unstrung harp, sends forth notes of discord, when all else is harmony?

“If the present unhappy condition of the people was brought about by foreign armies traversing the country, carrying desolation and death wherever they appeared, the sympathy of the civilized world be aroused in our behalf. But, when we reflect, like our present troubles are of our own devising, we must acknowledge that we alone are to blame, and must abide the consequences. Why are the hearts of good men oppressed

with sorrow when they contemplate the distracted condition of this once glorious confederacy? Why do men indulge in fierce and angry invective, and those who should be brothers denounce each other as enemies? Because we, as a people in the day of our prosperity, have forgotten God, and we are now like His chosen people of old, to feel the terrible effects of his anger.

"Have we as Royal Arch Masons collectively or individually contributed in any manner to bring about these troubles? If so, let us humble ourselves before the Great I AM, and invoke Him to spare us the realization of that dread calamity which hangs over our unhappy country like a funeral pall. Let us supplicate that He may change the hearts and understanding of men, so that all may acknowledge that He is a God of infinite love and mercy; and let us fervently pray that this nation may be once more a light set upon a hill, shining with such mild radiance that the nations of the world may be guided – not dazzled by its brilliancy. But, above all, and beyond all, let us by our acts proclaim that Jehovah is our God, and our refuge in all times of trouble and tribulation, and that to his name is to be ascribed Power, Glory, and Dominion now and forever!"

William R. Penick, elected Grand High Priest in 1861, did not preside over the Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter, being engaged in military duty; he was serving as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge at the same time, and, of course, was absent from the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, which convened on Monday following the conclusion of the Grand Chapter on Friday. His address was read by Grand Secretary O'Sullivan; there was no evidence to show that it underwent the amendments as did his annual address before the Grand Lodge. Concerning war conditions he said: "You have again assembled in annual convocation to legislate for the best interests of Royal Arch Masonry in this state, and, although my military duties are of such nature that I cannot meet with you, I will here report my official acts and doings as your executive officer, since your last annual convocation and present for your consideration such matters of interest as I may think worthy of your attention. * * *

"I have made no official visits to Chapters since our last convocation. A great portion of my time it would have been unsafe for me to attempt to discharge that duty, on account of the armed guards of marauders that have been infesting our state. * * *

"My official correspondence has been limited, owing to the suspension of mail facilities in a large portion of the state during most of the year. As it has been mainly of a political nature, I shall make but one allusion to it. I have often been asked to define the duty of Royal Arch Masons in the present rebellion, and have always unhesitatingly answered in the language of the old charge: A Mason is to be a peaceable subject to the civil powers wherever he resides or works, and is never to be concerned in plots or conspiracies against the peace and welfare of the nation. * * *

"In conclusion, my Companions, I would remind you of the solemn responsibility which rests upon each and all of us, as Royal Arch Masons, to execute faithfully the trust reposed in us. In all our actions, let us ever look to the author of the Great Light in Masonry for wisdom to govern us, that we may "judge with candor, admonish with friendship, and reprehend with justice."

Grand Secretary O'Sullivan reported that all mail facilities had been suspended between his place of residence (Springfield) and St. Louis, and that he had been deprived of receiving the proceedings of the several Grand Chapters.

The Committee on Returns had before them the returns of 14 Chapters; they were Missouri No. 1, Palmyra No. 2, Weston No. 4, Hannibal No. 7, St. Louis No. 8, Lexington No. 10, St. Joseph No. 14, Monroe No. 16, Bloomington No. 22, Bond No.

23, Bellefontaine No. 25, Mexico No. 27, Greenfield No. 31, and an informal return from Independence No. 12, the Secretary informing the committee that the Chapter had held no meeting since July 1861, owing to the unsettled state of affairs.

Boonville No. 5, Columbus No. 17, Monticello No. 20, DeMolay No. 26, Kansas City No. 28, Eastern Star No. 29, failed to make returns, and Liberty No. 3, Jefferson City No. 11, Savannah No. 18, Davenport No. 19, Melody No. 22, George Washington No. 24, and Lone Star No. 30, had failed to make returns for the last two years.

1863

James Carr of Paris, Missouri was elected Grand High Priest at the Annual Convocation in 1862, but he did not appear to preside over Grand Chapter on May 20, 1863. His address, which was read, occupied less than two pages of the proceedings; he said: "My official correspondence has been limited in consequence of the disturbed condition of the country, growing out of the present rebellion. A few of the subordinate Chapters have been doing a very flourishing business in the way of exalting new members, but the majority have been hard run to keep the necessary meetings to prevent a forfeiture of their charters.

"In view of the disturbed condition of the state, I would recommend that the utmost leniency be extended to the Chapter in this connection, believing that such a course would conduce more to the good of Royal Arch Masonry than requiring them to comply strictly with the Constitution."

The Grand Secretary announced that Independence Chapter No. 12, Davenport No. 19, Kansas City No. 28, George Washington No. 24, DeMolay No. 26 had been compelled to suspend labor, and that Columbus No. 17 and Eastern Star No. 29 had probably been compelled to "bend to the storm which has devastated our beloved state."

The following Chapters made return: Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 14, 16, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, 31, 36, although Greenfield No. 31 paid no dues; Lexington No. 10 and Huntsville No. 13 failed to make return, and Columbus No. 17, Kansas City No. 28, Independence No. 12, DeMolay No. 26, Eastern Star No. 29 failed to make returns for the past two years; Davenport No. 19 and George Washington No. 24 had made no returns in three years.

James N. Burnes, Weston, was elected Grand High Priest and immediately addressed the Grand Chapter. Among other things, he said:

"Adhering, with faultless devotion, to the Government of the Country in which we live, and submitting to the decisions of the Supreme Legislature, we yet proudly ignore all differences, religious or political and preserve for ourselves and our posterity the ancient, honored and beloved Institution of Royal Arch Masonry, which can never be rightfully affected by any change of government, political institutions, or tumults among men. Decay – written in imperishable characters upon everything else under heaven – will not dare approach our sacred temples so long as Royal Arch Masons repudiate and denounce every departure from our time - honored teachings.

"The red hand of Civil War and commotion, which has fallen heavily upon us, and which even now deprives us of the counsel of so many of those venerable and enlightened companions, who hitherto met us in this sacred place, is still agonizing the whole country, retarding its prosperity and filling the land with mourning, still our cherished tenets are unchanged."

1864

On May 17, 1864, the Grand Chapter convened in the City of St. Louis. The Grand High Priest, James N. Burnes, told of conditions as they existed in the various Chapters:

"Many of our Chapters are doing no good, and are, perhaps permanently broken up. On the north side of our great river, I do not believe there are six Chapters doing work enough to justify the maintenance of their organization. The existence of a Chapter, when that Chapter fails in its labors and its duties, is a positive injury to the Institution and a wrong to its neighboring Chapters. Not working, its existence prevents others from doing much valuable labor. The present and past condition of the state prevents us from censuring our Companions in such cases, but it does not justify us in the continuing of charters when no efforts have been, or are being now, made to recover what has been lost by merciless encroachments upon our Sacred Tabernacles."

1865

The Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, held in St. Louis May 17, 1865, followed the surrender at Appomattox. J.A.H. Lampton, Grand High Priest, deplored the raid on Masonic mysteries and the influx of new members, many of whom he believed were unsuited for material in rebuilding the Temple. He said:

"Some Grand Chapters in neighboring jurisdictions have granted roving commissions or dispensations to certain Companions connected with the armies of the United States, for the establishment of Military or Field Chapters. Strange names! These Chapters move from one jurisdiction to another – first to Kentucky, next to Tennessee, then to Mississippi, as the armies advance, making Royal Arch Masons of citizens of Missouri and other jurisdictions where, for the time, the regiment or brigade having this roving commission may be stationed. This is wrong. It is an unauthorized invasion of jurisdictions having Grand and subordinate Chapters of their own capable of working up all the good material in their midst, and entitled to the rights to them by general Masonic law and usage."

"There can be no possible excuse for such fragrant violation of all the laws of Masonic comity, and that brotherly regard which should influence the Companions of the several jurisdictions.

"Whatever may be thought of the Regimental Lodges and Chapter of former times, when there were but few Lodges and scarcely any Chapters in the country, there can be no justification for their establishment now, when Lodges and Chapters are to be found in every state. They are nuisances and should be abated as soon as possible. As for the Royal Arch Masons professing to have been made in these Field Chapters, they should not be recognized as such by regular Companions. Most certainly, citizens of Missouri so made should be treated as clandestine, and dealt with accordingly.

"My Companions, I trust that you will take such action regarding these roving Chapters as the dignity and welfare of the Grand Chapter of Missouri may warrant."

As to conditions existing in the Chapters, he has the following to say:

"During the year no Chapters have been suspended, no charters surrendered, and no dispensations granted for new Chapters in this jurisdiction. So far as I have information, the Craft has been working harmoniously, and fulfilling, to the best of their ability, the duties of Royal Arch Masons. In many portions of the state, Chapters have been unable to meet and work, owing to the unsettled condition of public affairs; but we have reason

to hope that, ere long, encouraging reports will be received from zealous Companions laboring among the ruins. * * *

"And now, my Companions, we have passed through a severe ordeal of Civil War and disorganized society; and Royal Arch Masonry, I am proud to say, though it has not advanced much in this state, has stood firm, resolute and unshaken. Its bond of faith has been held inviolate, and its sacred places have been respected. In many sections of the jurisdictions the Brotherhood has been sorely tried; and we have abundant cause to thank the Grand High Priest over all that He hath kept us so well together in the midst of discord and calamity."

"The Spirit of Peace which now 'sits' brooding, with 'dove-like wings outspread' is in harmony with the interests of Masonry everywhere; and none will hail the consummation of her happy mission with truer gratitude of joy than the Royal Arch Masons of Missouri."

The Committee on Grand High Priest's address approved the remarks of the Grand High Priest concerning the establishment of military or field Chapters and a resolution was adopted, which read:

"That persons professing to have been made Royal Arch Masons in these Field or Military Chapters should not be recognized as such by regular Companions of this jurisdiction and that citizens of Missouri so made should be treated as clandestine-made Masons and dealt with accordingly."

Times were extremely difficult for most Masonic bodies, especially in the south, during and following the War.

"Foe met foe in mortal combat, but foes were turned to Brothers as soon as they met as Masons; and our Companion, we feel assured, from good authority, had he been in danger at any time of losing his digestive organs through the thrust of a rebel bayonet, would have been the first to give Masonic recognition would have saved the unwinding of his 'mortal coil.'"

Strangely, the War had little effect on the number of exaltations or the total membership of the Grand Chapter: In 1860, we entered the War with 882 members. Included were 138 exaltations. In 1861, there were only 62 exaltations and our totals dropped to 717. Thirty-five were exalted in 1862. In 1863, there were 107, in 1864, we exalted 98. In 1865, the exaltations numbered 174 with a total of 834 members and in 1866, at the War's end, 188 were exalted, 32 were admitted, 102 dimitted, 18 had died, 10 were expelled for a total of 1,024 members. Two Chapters did not report in 1866.

Leadership

We have no knowledge of local leadership during the War years but the Grand Chapter had competent leaders at the helm during that time frame. William R. Penick was born in 1829 in Boone County, Missouri. He was made a Master Mason in St. Joseph Lodge No. 78 in 1856. He was made Master two years later and in 1861 was elected Grand Master of Missouri Grand Lodge. He joined St. Joseph Chapter No. 14 and became High Priest in 1860, and Grand High Priest in 1861. In 1877, he was Grand Master of the Grand Council, being a charter member of St. Joseph Council No. 9. At the time he was Grand High Priest, he was also Grand Commander, having aided in the organization of St. Joseph Commandery No. 4 in 1859. He was a 32 degree Scottish Rite Mason and at the time of his death in 1891 was the oldest Past Grand High Priest in point of service. He had been a Mayor of St. Joseph. Most of his life was spent in the drug and

book business. He became President of the St. Joseph and Denver Railroad Company and it was through his influence that the work of completing the line was resumed after the War.

James Carr became Grand High Priest in 1862. He was born in Pennsylvania and came to Monroe County, Missouri in 1845. He taught school, studied law, and became General Attorney for the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railway Company. He moved to Hannibal and then to St. Louis where he died on Christmas Day 1891. He had been Commander of Excalibar Commandery No. 5 in 1871 and Grand Generalissimo in 1869 and 1870.

James N. Burnes was born in Indiana, August 22, 1827, moved to Missouri in 1837. He received his law degree from Harvard in 1853, practiced law for twenty years, was Circuit Attorney in 1856, and Judge of the Common Pleas Court from 1868 to 1872. He was a Presidential Elector in 1856 and was elected to Congress for four terms where he held prominent positions on leading committees in the House of Representatives. He presided over the Lodge, Chapter, Council, and Commandery in Weston, Missouri. After his removal to St. Joseph in 1875, he was Commander of St. Joseph Commandery No. 4 and later became a charter member of Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 51. He was elected Grand High Priest in May 1863, Grand Master of the Grand Council in 1877, and Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery in that same year. As a public citizen, he was the main promoter of the Atchison Bridge, the Rock Island-Leavenworth Bridge, the National Bank of St. Joseph, and the St. Joseph Water Works. He had a national reputation because of his mental faculties, his indomitable will, and charitable disposition. His public life was one of strict integrity. His death occurred suddenly at Washington, D.C., January 24, 1889.

James A. H. Lampton was born in Columbia, Kentucky, February 21, 1824, and died in St. Louis, February 3, 1879. He came to Ralls County, Missouri as a boy and settled there. By profession, he was a physician but early in life, he abandoned this profession for vocations that were more congenial to his inclinations. He was a cultured gentleman of large experience, and the brethren of the Masonic fraternity knew and appreciated his qualities. He was a perfect ritualist, a pleasing worker, and ready to do what he might be assigned him. He was made a Mason in New London Lodge No. 21. He affiliated with George Washington Lodge No. 9, June 23, 1857, serving as Master in 1865, 1867, and 1871. He became a member of St. Louis Chapter No. 8, St. Louis Commandery No. 1 and Hiram Council No. 1, serving his Chapter as High Priest and in 1863 began his career in the Grand Chapter as Grand Scribe and served as Grand High Priest in 1864. In the Grand Lodge, he served on numerous committees with zeal and fidelity and in 1869-71 filled the position as Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge.

Thomas Elwood Garrett was a native of Chester County, Pennsylvania. In 1851 at the age of 23, he came to St. Louis and entered newspaper work as a dramatic critic. He died June 29, 1905.

His Lodge membership was in Pride of the West Lodge No. 179, which he joined in 1861; he served as Grand Master of Missouri in 1870 and in 1871. He dimitted from Missouri Chapter No. 1 and affiliated with St. Louis Chapter No. 8. He was elected Grand High Priest in 1865, and three years later was President of the Grand Convention of High Priests. For three terms, he was Master of Hiram Council No. 1, and in 1867 became Grand Master. He was also a member of St. Louis Commandery No. 1 and a 33rd degree Scottish Rite Mason. Companion Garrett was a rare literary genius; his activity as a writer on the "Intelligencer," "Evening News," and "Republic" and as a

dramatic critic was only the forerunner for the distinguished service which he gave the fraternity in Missouri. He was the organizer of the first Elk Lodge in Missouri and is said to have been largely responsible for the arrangement of the present funeral service used by the Grand Lodge of Missouri. For many years, he was the oldest living Past Grand High Priest; he was a member of the Masonic Conservators, an organization for the control of the Masonic ritual.

Samuel Russell was born in the historic Shenandoah Valley, Virginia, February 1814. He was an orphan at the age of ten years and his early life was spent in Louisiana and Mississippi where he learned the tailor's trade. In 1849, he sailed for California on a sailing vessel and after a long and perilous voyage around Cape Horn; he arrived in the land of gold. He returned and settled in Vicksburg, Mississippi where he engaged in merchandising; in 1855, he came to St. Joseph, Missouri, where he sold lumber. In 1861, he was in Denver and later in Montana. He was President of the Constitutional Convention of Montana in 1868. He returned to St. Joseph and engaged in the grain business and on December 7, 1874, he died. He was the first Master of Zeredatha Lodge No. 189, and served the Grand Lodge as District Deputy Grand Lecturer and District Deputy Grand Master until the time of his death. He was High Priest of St. Joseph Chapter No. 14 and became Grand High Priest in 1866. He became a member of St. Joseph Council No. 9 and later affiliated with a Montana Council. In 1862, he became Commander of Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 4 in St. Joseph and held the position for three years. In 1869, he served as Grand Captain General of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. He is buried in Mt. Mora Cemetery in St. Joseph.

(The above biographical sketches were adapted from "A History of Royal Arch Masonry in the State of Missouri" by Ray V. Denslow, 1932, pp 714 – 718. This reference is now out of print.)

James M. Williams, PGHP, Grand Historian

ERRATA

The following is a listing of known corrections to the 2003 Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri.

- Page 23 Reports of Grand Secretary, second paragraph, fifth line: change "and" to "an".
- Page 64 2002-2003 Distinguished Chapter Awards, change "page 47" to "page 43".
- Page 65 Last sentence, change "May 16, 2002" to "May 14, 2004".

Corrections to the 2004 proceedings are to be addressed in writing to the Grand Secretary for publication in the 2005 proceedings.

REFERENCE

The following pages give reference to historical and current information pertaining to the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri.

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

(Complete listing to be published every 10 years.)

YEAR	GRAND HIGH PRIEST	GRAND KING	GRAND SCRIBE	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
April, 1970	Delno J. Spellman	Charles A. Bottermulder	Olin S. McDaniel	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1971	Charles A. Bottermulder	Olin S. McDaniel	Lewis C. Wes Cook	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1972	Olin S. McDaniel	Lewis C. Wes Cook	Edward McMurry	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1973	Lewis C. Wes Cook	Edward McMurry	B. Lowman Graddy	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1974	Edward McMurry	B. Lowman Graddy	E. Allen Kohler	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1975	B. Lowman Graddy	E. Allen Kohler	Paul F. Sitze	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1976	E. Allen Kohler	Paul F. Sitze	Thomas E. Blankenship	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1977	Paul F. Sitze	Thomas E. Blankenship	Darrell W. Cross	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1978	Thomas E. Blankenship	Darrell W. Cross	P. Vincent Kinkead	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1979	Darrell W. Cross	P. Vincent Kinkead	Gene M. Zinn	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1980	P. Vincent Kinkead	Gene M. Zinn	James H. Miller	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1981	Gene M. Zinn	James H. Miller	David A. Watson	Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1982	James H. Miller	David A. Watson	Virgil L. Bailey	†Roscoe A. Miller	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1983	David A. Watson	Virgil L. Bailey	James M. Williams	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1984	Virgil L. Bailey	James M. Williams	James E. Anderson	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1985	James M. Williams	James E. Anderson	Richard D. Carroll	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1986	James E. Anderson	Richard D. Carroll	Foster S. Crawford	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1987	Richard D. Carroll	Foster S. Crawford	Ervin A. Drawing	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1988	Foster S. Crawford	Ervin A. Drawing	Frank P. Wilfley, Jr.	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1989	Ervin A. Drawing	Frank P. Wilfley, Jr.	Earl Wayne Orr	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1990	Frank P. Wilfley, Jr.	Earl Wayne Orr	Larry L. Muir	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1991	Earl Wayne Orr	Larry L. Muir	Clarence L. Alumbaugh	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1992	Larry L. Muir	Clarence L. Alumbaugh	James S. West	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1993	Clarence L. Alumbaugh	* James S. West	Harry O. Maenner	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1994	Harry O. Maenner	William E. Brememan	Ralph P. Bunnell	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1995	William E. Brememan	Ralph P. Bunnell	Calvin D. Schroff	E. Allen Kohler	* Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1996	Ralph P. Bunnell	Calvin D. Schroff	Robert W. Schlichter	E. Allen Kohler	† Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 1997	Calvin D. Schroff	Robert W. Schlichter	José R. Palacios	† E. Allen Kohler	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 1998	Robert W. Schlichter	José R. Palacios	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	Donald L. Trabue	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 1999	José R. Palacios	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	Roy R. Clements	Donald L. Trabue	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 2000	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	Roy R. Clements	Roy A. Welshon, Sr.	Donald L. Trabue	† Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 2001	Roy R. Clements	Roy A. Welshon, Sr.	Delbert R. Gentry	Donald L. Trabue	Kevin B. Sample
May, 2002	Roy A. Welshon, Sr.	Delbert R. Gentry	Walter W. Doyle	Donald L. Trabue	Kevin B. Sample
May, 2003	Delbert R. Gentry	Walter W. Doyle	Harley L. Kropf	Donald L. Trabue	Kevin B. Sample
May, 2004	Walter W. Doyle	Harley L. Kropf	William B. Stephenson, Jr.	Donald L. Trabue	Kevin B. Sample

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YEAR	GRAND CAPTAIN OF THE HOST	GRAND PRINCIPAL SOJOURNER	GRAND ROYAL ARCH CAPTAIN	GRAND MASTER 3RD VEIL	GRAND MASTER 2ND VEIL	GRAND MASTER 1ST VEIL
April, 1970	Lewis C. Cook	Edward McMurry	Arthur B. Pratt, Jr.	Joe W. Fiedler	Donald E. Woodard	Ronald M. Belt
April, 1971	Edward McMurry	Arthur B. Pratt, Jr.	F. J. Anderson	Emory J. Hampel	Sam V. Cochran	Joe Gallely
April, 1972	B. Lowman Graddy	Joseph S. Gardner	* Ronald L. Bielby	Garth D. Doss	Elden J. Lowland	Chris. C. McLemore, Jr.
April, 1973	E. Allen Kohler	Harley E. Thomas	Frank Hazelrigg, Jr.	Kenneth H. Davis	August V. Butler	Charles W. McElyea
April, 1974	Paul F. Stize	Hugh W. Harrison	Earl C. Foster	Adam F. Meister	W. Ralph Euler	Harry M. Cutler
April, 1975	Thomas E. Blankenship	J. Lynn Rieker	Harry W. Tadlock	John Cado	Oscar Ryffel	William W. Forrester
April, 1976	Darrell W. Cross	P. Vincent Kinkade	James H. Miller	W. Carter Durbin	James S. Cunningham	George R. Johnson
May, 1977	P. Vincent Kinkade	Gene M. Zinn	John E. Crites	Cophs L. Lay	Wade E. Miller	Edwin Craycraft
May, 1978	Gene M. Zinn	James H. Miller	James S. West	Dewey E. Aly	L. Dale Gardner	Donald L. Flinders
April, 1979	James H. Miller	David A. Watson	Richard D. Carroll	Fred P. Ward	Jerry F. Ward	Charles R. McBe
April, 1980	David A. Watson	Virgil L. Bailey	Henry R. Stoker	John J. Darcy	Lacey Stapp	Charles E. Davis
April, 1981	Virgil L. Bailey	James M. Williams	James E. Anderson	James S. Cunningham	Richard D. Carroll	Poster S. Crawford
April, 1982	James M. Williams	James E. Anderson	James S. Cunningham	Richard D. Carroll	Foster S. Crawford	Ervin A. Drawing
April, 1983	James E. Anderson	James S. Cunningham	Richard D. Carroll	Foster S. Crawford	Ervin A. Drawing	Frank P. Willey, Jr.
April, 1984	James S. Cunningham	Richard D. Carroll	Foster S. Crawford	Ervin A. Drawing	Frank P. Willey, Jr.	Earl W. Orr
April, 1985	Foster S. Crawford	Ervin A. Drawing	Frank P. Willey, Jr.	Earl Wayne Orr	Larry L. Muir	Robert J. Crede
April, 1986	Ervin A. Drawing	Frank P. Willey, Jr.	Earl Wayne Orr	Larry L. Muir	Robert J. Crede	Clarence L. Alumbaugh
April, 1987	Frank P. Willey, Jr.	Earl Wayne Orr	Larry L. Muir	Robert J. Crede	Clarence L. Alumbaugh	James S. West
May, 1988	Earl Wayne Orr	Larry L. Muir	Clarence L. Alumbaugh	James S. West	Harry O. Maerner	William E. Brenneman
April, 1989	Larry L. Muir	Clarence L. Alumbaugh	James S. West	Harry O. Maerner	William E. Brenneman	Ralph P. Bunnell
May, 1990	Clarence L. Alumbaugh	James S. West	Harry O. Maerner	William E. Brenneman	Ralph P. Bunnell	Cabin D. Schroff
May, 1991	* James S. West	Harry O. Maerner	William E. Brenneman	Ralph P. Bunnell	Calvin D. Schroff	Robert W. Schlichter
May, 1992	Harry O. Maerner	William E. Brenneman	Ralph P. Bunnell	Calvin D. Schroff	Robert W. Schlichter	Jose R. Palacios
May, 1993	William E. Brenneman	Ralph P. Bunnell	Calvin D. Schroff	Robert W. Schlichter	Jose R. Palacios	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.
May, 1994	Calvin D. Schroff	Robert W. Schlichter	Jose R. Palacios	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	Roy R. Clements	Roy A. Welsch
April, 1995	Robert W. Schlichter	Jose R. Palacios	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	Roy R. Clements	Roy A. Welsch	Delbert R. Gentry
May, 1996	Jose R. Palacios	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	Roy R. Clements	Roy A. Welsch	Delbert R. Gentry	Walter W. Doyle
May, 1997	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	Roy R. Clements	Roy A. Welsch, Sr.	Delbert R. Gentry	Walter W. Doyle	Harley L. Kroff
May, 1998	Roy R. Clements	Roy A. Welsch, Sr.	Delbert R. Gentry	Walter W. Doyle	William B. Stephenson, Jr.	William B. Stephenson, Jr.
May, 1999	Roy A. Welsch, Sr.	Delbert R. Gentry	Walter W. Doyle	Harley L. Kroff	Kenneth D. Dingham, Jr.	Kenneth D. Dingham, Jr.
May, 2000	Delbert R. Gentry	Walter W. Doyle	Harley L. Kroff	William B. Stephenson, Jr.	Kenneth D. Dingham, Jr.	Robert E. Hardester
May, 2001	Walter W. Doyle	Harley L. Kroff	William B. Stephenson, Jr.	Kenneth D. Dingham, Jr.	Robert E. Hardester	George L. Duncan
May, 2002	Harley L. Kroff	William B. Stephenson, Jr.	Kenneth D. Dingham, Jr.	Robert E. Hardester	George L. Duncan	C. C. McLemore, III
May, 2003	William B. Stephenson, Jr.	Kenneth D. Dingham, Jr.	Robert E. Hardester	George L. Duncan	Steven C. Monnotus	Steven C. Monnotus
May, 2004	Kenneth D. Dingham, Jr.	Robert E. Hardester	George L. Duncan	C. C. McLemore, III	Steven C. Monnotus	Claude M. Eckert

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YEAR	GRAND SENTINEL	GRAND CHAPLAIN	GRAND LECTURER	ASSISTANT GRAND CHAPLAIN	FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE	REVIEW
April, 1970	Norman R. Mace	Carl Radford			Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1971	Leland C. Henry	M. Graham Clark	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1972	Vernie S. Totty	J. C. Montgomery, Jr.	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1973	Bernard M. Meeker	Roger V. Wreath	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1974	Robert C. Schnaumeier	Buyl F. Bales	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1975	Woodrow W. O'Dell	Roger V. Wreath	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1976	John T. Lutz	Roger V. Wreath	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
May, 1977	John M. Bennett	Roger V. Wreath	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
May, 1978	William R. Probst	George G. Greenway	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1979	Thomas W. Lingle	Marvin Fortel	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1980	Vernon A. Evans	G. Maxwell Teeter	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1981	Nicholas L. Shelby	G. Maxwell Teeter	Leonard V. Bowers		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1982	Herbert C. Krumrey	Lester Williams	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1983	Richard M. Easter	Eugene E. McFarland	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1984	David H. Toomay	W. Tribbey Nickerson	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1985	Albert L. Kowatz	E. L. Dierking	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1986	Oscar T. Hagemann	Richard A. Behr	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1987	Jerry B. Reeves	William E. Hull	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
May, 1988	Gregory A. Leanning	Charles E. Burner	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1989	David R. Vogler	Richard A. Behr	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
May, 1990	Homer R. Schremp	J. C. Montgomery, Jr.	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
May, 1991	R. Clyde Foster	Kimber W. Key	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
May, 1992	R. Clyde Foster	Kimber W. Key	James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
May, 1993	James F. Fitzpatrick	Stanton T. Brown	* James S. West		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
May, 1994	Louis L. Monken	Kevin E. Weaver	Calvin D. Schroff		Bruce Hamon Hunt	
April, 1995	Grant W. John	Enory I. Hampel	Calvin D. Schroff		* Bruce Hamon Hunt	
May, 1996	Joseph H. Collison	William Gray	Calvin D. Schroff		Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	
May, 1997	Stewart L. Sinclair	Robert W. Schmidt	Calvin D. Schroff	Lewis C. Odneal	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	
May, 1998	George L. Duncan	Frederick J. Morrow	Calvin D. Schroff		Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	
May, 1999	Thomas T. Herek	Harry O. Macmer	Calvin D. Schroff		Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	
May, 2000	Melvin J. Sanders	Ralph E. Nolan	Calvin D. Schroff		Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	James M. Williams
May, 2001	Floyd G. Eaves	William A. Moore	Calvin D. Schroff		Kevin B. Sample	James M. Williams
May, 2002	Scott Welshon	Kevin E. Weaver	Calvin D. Schroff		Kevin B. Sample	James M. Williams
May, 2003	Claude M. Eckert	Ralph E. Nolan	Calvin D. Schroff		Kevin B. Sample	James M. Williams
May, 2004	Kenneth L. Dinslap	Elton L. Cobb	Calvin D. Schroff		Kevin B. Sample	James M. Williams

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GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International, awards the Distinguished Service Award to only one deserving and distinguished Companion in Missouri each year.

Recipient	Year	Recipient	Year
* Harley L. Wilson	1952	* Ambers L. Dalton	1979
* Richard H. Ramsey	1953	* Ernest C. Cottle	1980
* Grover C. Layne	1954	* Charles C. Bybee	1981
* Ernest E. Browning	1955	* James Craig Rhea	1982
* Emmitt L. Robinson	1956	* Alfred Whitfield Griffith	1983
* E. Jere Deal	1957	Fred F. Stuecken	1984
* Russell L. Dearmont	1958	* Howard D. Watkins	1985
* R. H. Amberg	1959	Joseph H. Collison	1986
* John J. Bowman	1960	Emory J. Hampel	1987
* Harry Egbert Miller	1961	* Elmer C. Owens	1988
* Henry W. Fox	1962	John B. Browning	1989
* John Burle	1963	* Hubert R. Baumgarth	1990
* John S. Smarr	1964	Woodrow W. Blunt	1991
* Francis A. Ely	1965	Cletus E. Kueffer	1992
* Harry S. Kline	1966	† Michael W. Klipp	1993
* Rex M. Whitton	1967	* Melvin I. Weems	1994
* Robert H. Arnold	1968	* Paul W. Kittle	1995
* George V. Welch	1969	Paul A. Delozier	1996
* H. Roe Bartle	1970	* George A. Blansett	1997
* Leif J. Sverdrup	1971	D. Keith Duren	1998
* M. Graham Clark	1972	George L. Duncan	1999
* William Wilmer Martin	1973	James C. Keethler	2000
* Cal Hubbard	1974	Melvin J. Sanders	2001
* Elden J. Loveland	1975	William A. Moore	2002
* Joseph W. Nickle	1976	Nelson G. Morgan	2003
* Lester Williams	1977	Ralph E. Nolan	2004
Howard R. McHenry	1978		

(* Deceased, † Dimitted)

GRAND CHAPTER LEWIS AND CLARK AWARDS**1988**

Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	Clarence Houser	Hannibal	7
2	Wade Miller	Tabernacle	54
3	Donald Venable	Liberty	3
4	Roy Davidson	Rolla	32
5	Hugh Roy	Rabboni	131
6	Howard Brewington	Solomon	130
7	Wallace Hamilton	Lebanon	64

1989

Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	Arthur Carlson	Shelbina	99
2	Robert Irwin	Mitchell	14
3	Harold Baker	William F. Kuhn	139
4	Harry Schmid	Orion	49
5	Verble Johnson	Oriental	78
6	George Miller	Uel-Median	129
7	B. K. Swingle	Bolivar	5

1990

Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	Emery Welsh	Putnam	123
2	Delbert Gentry	Trenton	66
3	Denver Kennedy	Grandview	145
4	Abner Gwinn	Jefferson City	34
5	Carl Hoeninger	St. Louis-Mo	1
6	H. Cline Carter	Kingsway	144
7	Robert Hughes	Greenfield	38

1991

Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	Woodrow Dodson	Canton	88
2	Wilfred Beckett	Cameron	67
3	Joseph Nolte	DeMolay	26
4	Joseph Murtagh	Fayette	94
5	Oscar Hageman		
6	Kenneth Sample	Poplar Bluff	114
7	C. C. McLemore	Greenfield	38

1992

Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	Kenneth Ward	Pike	86
2	Robert Kottman	Weston	4
3	Ralph Cantrell	Independence	12
4	Luther Fryer	Rolla	32
5	Lester Williams	Oriental	78
6	Roy Welshon	Cope Stone	33
7	Sam Shafer	Mountain Grove	137

1993			
Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	None		
2	Arland Haynes	Gallatin	11
3	Steve Anderson	Kansas City	28
4	Stewart Sinclair	Triune	93
5	David Cook	Rabboni	131
6	None		
7	James Nunn	Vincil	110

1994			
Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	William Bruce	Putnam	123
2	William Arney	Bethany	80
3	Mark Schroer	Lexington	10
4	Robert Hudson	Jefferson City	34
5	Jack Durham, Sr.	Rabboni	131
6	None		
7	Grant John	Lebanon	64

1995			
Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	Ronald Miller	Caldwell	53
2	Bernie Cabra	Gallatin	11
3	George Blansett	William F. Kuhn	139
4	Robert Bray	Fayette	94
5	Floyd Ward	Rabboni	131
6	Roger Schlime	Wilson	75
7	James Loomis	Meridian Sun	61

1996			
Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	John Mendenhall	Marceline	118
2	Robert Hogan	Mitchell	14
3	Danny Ferguson	Clinton	73
4	Michael Glawson	Orion	49
5	Theodore Buckwick	St. Louis-Mo	1
6	Douglas Bothmann	Cope Stone	33
7	Leland (Pete) Pyle	Bolivar	5

1997			
Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	Russell Kohl	Macon	22
2	Richard Remelius	Mitchell	14
3	Dean Wisemore	Independence	12
4	Kenneth Dingman	Rolla	32
5	Richard Behr	Oriental	78
6	Cecil O. Blaylock	Wilson	75
7	Carroll Hendrickson	Meridian Sun	61

1998

Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	Amos G. Asmussen	Hannibal	7
2	Leo G. Whitaker	Trenton	66
3	James C. Rodgers	East Gate	136
4	James G. Wade	Columbia	17
5	Wayne E. Wilson	Bellefontaine	25
6	None		
7	Joe E. Hunt	Greenfield	38

1999

Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1	Clyde Bondy	Putnam	123
2A	Glenn Chandler	Trenton	66
2B	Herman Collins	Mitchell	14
3A	Robert Whitney	Independence	12
3B	Harry D. Brown	William F. Kuhn	139
3C	Jack Timmons	Wyoming	43
4A	Robert Schmidt	Triune	93
4B	Larry D. Wyatt	Jefferson City	34
5	James W. Elam	Keystone	146
6	None		
7	Donald Doss	Springfield	15

2000

Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1A	Charles Lee	Caldwell	53
1B	Clement Gunn	Shelbina	99
2	John Thrailkill	Bethany	80
3A	Melvin J. Sanders	Independence	12
3B	Frank B. Chester	William F. Kuhn	139
3C	James W. Williams	Wyoming	43
4A	Will Brantley	Columbia	17
4B	Edward Poecker	California	58
5	Kenneth Green	Keystone	146
5	Lionel J. Goede	Keystone	146
6	Bobby Roloff	Wilson	75
7A	Joseph Slater	Mountain Grove	137
7B	Jack Brown	Joplin	91

2001

Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1A	Barry Cundiff	Caldwell	53
1B	Rodger D. Goings	Shelbina	99
2A	Don Peyton	Trenton	66
2B	Carroll Henson	Mitchell	14
3A	Joseph Bittiker	Mt. Washington	142
3B	Quinten D. Hinton	William F. Kuhn	139
4A	Marvin L. Painter	Columbia	17
4B	Breck Summerford	California	58
5A	William Townley	St. Charles	111
5B	Ronnie E. Green	Oriental	78
6	Chester Herrington	Wilson	75
7A	Leslie P. Rea	Vincil	110
7B	Everett Felkner, Jr.	Lamar	101

2002			
Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1A	None		
1B	Darrell A. Wilham	Shelbina	99
2A	Berl Williams	Lone Star	30
2B	None		
3A	Ronald L. Barrett	Liberty	3
3B	None		
4A	None		
4B	Nelson Morgan	Rolla	32
5A	David H. Lewis	Oriental	78
5B	Stanley Dugan	Cope Stone	33
6	Ronald G. Cunningham	Wilson	75
7A	Winston Allison	Bolivar	5
7B	James R. Leonard	Nevada	56

2003			
Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1A	None		
1B	Carl W. Lasswell	Shelbina	99
2A	Donald G. O'Dell	Lone Star	30
2B	None		
3A	None		
3B	William E. Rodgers	William F. Kuhn	139
4A	Phillip W. Engel	Triune	93
4B	Columbus Craft	Rolla	32
5A	Richard G. Grisham	St. Louis-Missouri	1
5B	James L. Inukai	Rabboni	131
6	Bill A. Humble	Poplar Bluff	114
7A	Loyd V. Wagner	Greenfield	38
7B	Ted W. Blanchard	Lamar	101

2004			
Region	Name	Chapter	No.
1A	Loren D. Lloyd	Putnam	123
1B	Roger McGregor	Hannibal	7
2A	Larry T. Odom	Trenton	66
2B	J B SeEVERS	Mitchell	4
3A	Lester J. Brown	Liberty	3
3B	Robert W. Brizendine	East Gate	136
3C	John Pfeffer	DeMolay	26
4A	Walter D. Straight	Columbia	17
4B	George E. Ornsbey	Rolla	32
5	David R. Vogler	Oriental	78
6	Arthur C. Highman	Uel-Midian	129
7A	Arthur A. Whitman	Mountain Grove	137
7B	Floyed G. Eaves	Lamar	101

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	Austria	LeRoy D. Unruh
Jacques Dumont	Belgium	Gary A. Phillips
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	Greece	Ronnie E. Green
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J. Emerson Miller	Illinois	George L. Duncan
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Mathew S. Cunningham	Ireland	James M. Williams
	Israel	Kevin E. Weaver
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G. Geoffrey R. Fosset	New Hampshire	Albert A. "Sony" Miller
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	Newfoundland	Ronald L. Barrett
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Robert A. Wise	Ohio	Teddie E. Harrison
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Philip Raymond Borland	Ontario Canada	Gerald J. Giammanco
Edmund D. Mitchell	Oregon	Foster S. Crawford
	Panama	Lewis C. Odneal
Ronald L. Pennell, PGHP	Pennsylvania	Phillip W. Engel
Manuel C. Garcia	Philippines	James A. Nunn
Joao Antonio Damial Pinheiro	Portugal	William J. Bowser
Jean-Paul Letourneau	Quebec	Robert W. Schlichter
D.K. Hodgkinson	Queensland, Australia	Paul Tobias
Frank N. Bordo	Rhode Island	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
Barry N. Brown	Saskatchewan	William W. Gray
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Ford M. Thomton, Jr.	South Carolina	Clarence L. Alumbaugh
	South Dakota	Dan Daniel
	Spain	Steven C. Monrotus
H.O. Mauerhofer	Switzerland	Emory J. Hampel
J. Jacques Sweeney	Tennessee	Charles A. Bottermuller
Wayne D. Groce	Texas	Ralph P. Bunnell
Deceased - Pending	Utah	James J. Gibbons
Stephen E. Holcomb	Vermont	Roy A. Welshon, Sr.
Peter S. Govan	Victoria, Australia	Walter W. Doyle
Charles A. Via	Virginia	Harold J. Richardson
George R. Haage	Washington	Roy R. Clements
Jennings Riser	West Virginia	Roy N. Thomas
John Davidson	Western Australia	C.C. McLemore
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Lloyd K. Hashmoto	Wyoming	Larry D. Wyatt

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Argentina	Miguel Bogado	Presidente Peron 1242, 1038 Capital Federal, Argentina	
Arizona	David G. Stankow	345 West Monroe Street, Phoenix, AZ 85003	(602) 462-9675
Arkansas	Royce H. Taylor	P.O. Box 1207, Pine Bluff, AR 71613-1207	(870) 879-9618
Austria	Helmut Ramberger	Weilburgstrasse 10, A-2500 Baden, Austria	
Belgium	Alain Van Lembergen	265 Rue Royal, B-1030 Brussels, Belgium	0-2-733-56-91
Brazil	Rui F. de Silva	Rua Santa Amelia, 50/1208 bl. 1-Tijuca, 2060-030 Rio de Janeiro RJ Brazil	
British Columbia & Yukon	Joseph R. Marshall	1495 W. 8th Ave. Room 103, Vancouver V6H 1C9, British Columbia	(604) 732-3625
California	Kenneth G. Hope	801 Elm Ave. Long Beach, CA 90813-4414	(562) 436-8271
Colorado	Jack A. Harlan	1614 Welton Street, #503, Denver, CO 80202	(303) 623-5825
Connecticut	Douglas A. Gray	197 Circular Avenue, Hamden, CT 06514	(203) 281-3606
Delaware	James T. Ruby	127 Phillis Drive, Newark, DE 19711	(302) 738-1545
District of Columbia	James D. Hawkins	5202 Holden Street, Fairfax, VA 22032	(703) 978-4078
England	James Daniel	60 Great Queen St., London WC2B 5AZ, England	
Finland	Jarkko Heino	Kasarmikatu 16D, FIN-00130 Helsinki 13, Finland	
Florida	William R. Young	400-C Julia Street, Titusville, FL 32796	(407) 383-1530
France	Y. Trestournel	65 Boulevard Bineau, F 92000 Neuilly-sur-Seine, France	
Georgia	F. Ray Jackson	811 Mulberry Street, Macon, GA 31201-6779	(478) 742-2557
Germany	Peter J. Schell	Garten Str. 4, D-66978 Donsieders, Germany	49-06333-1890
Greece	Aetos Trifakis	Freemasons Hall 19 Acharnon Street, 10438 Athens, Greece, 10438	(301) 822-9950
Hawaii	Cletus M. Ching	45-628 Aupuea Place, Kaneohe, HI 96744-1701	(808) 235-1021
Idaho	David A. Grindie	924 East Spartan Street, Eagle, ID 83616-6533	(208) 938-4060
Illinois	Everett E. Derry	P.O. Box 227, Washington, IL 61571-0227	(309) 444-7547
India	S. Krishnan	Freemasons' Hall, Janpath, PO Box 681, New Delhi, India 110-001	001-3321956
Indiana	Larry E. Gray	2250 E. 550 N., Greenfield, IN 46140	(317) 326-3632
Iowa	John H. Watts	P.O. Box 107, Grand Junction, IA 50107-0107	(515) 738-2151
Ireland	Michael W. Walker	Freemasons' Hall, 17 Molsworth Street, Dublin 2, Ireland	353.1.6761337
Israel	Eitan Ayalon	P.O. Box 33698, Tel Aviv, Israel 61336	972-4-6953580
Italy	Giuseppe Visicato	Via di Vigna Murata 9, 00143 Roma, Italy	39-06-5920518
Kansas	Thomas J. Owen	P.O. Box 1217, Topeka, KS 66601-1217	(785) 232-3381
Kentucky	John F. Kirby	P.O. Box 489, Danville, KY 40423-0489	(859) 236-0757
Louisiana	Chris E. Fristoe	117 Williamsburg Street, Lake Charles, LA 70604	(337) 477-8451
Maine	Robert D. Chaput	29 Hillside Drive, Hampden, ME 04444-1742	(207) 942-2750
Manitoba	Stan J. Payne	P.O. Box 69003, Tuxedo Park, Winnipeg R3P 2G9, Manitoba	
Maryland	Eugene D. Racz	4180 Hills Market Road, Felton, DE 19943-3956	(302) 284-9351
Massachusetts	Marketh E. Host	186 Tremont St., Boston, MA 02111	(617) 426-1079
Mexico	Oscar J. Salinas E.	Condominio Acero Monterrey Desp 916, Av. Zaragoza Sur 1000, CP64000 Monterrey, N.L., Mexico	
Michigan	Paul C. Howell	17635 Manitou Beach Road, Addison, MI 49220-9773	(517) 547-8266
Minnesota	Robert R. Anderson, Sr.	P.O. Box 66, Belle Plaine, MN 56011-0066	(952) 873-2245
Mississippi	Fred F. Bean	P.O. Box 1030, Meridian, MS 39302-1030	(601) 482-2914
Montana	Bradford L. Huffman	P.O. Box 824, Conrad, MT 59425-0824	(406) 271-2237
Nebraska	Jay H. Speck	11902 Elm Street, Suite 6D, Omaha, NE 68144-4362	(402) 697-3567
Netherlands	Cornelius J. Hagen	Prinsesgracht 27, 2514 AP Den Haag, Netherlands	
Nevada	Russell M. Wilde	2321 Meadowbrook Lane, Carson City, NV 89701-5724	(775) 883-2708
New Brunswick	David D. Dalzell	73 Bancroft Point Road, Grand Manan, NB CANADA E5G 4C1	
New Hampshire	Arnold M. Ashley	P.O. Box 246, Dover, NH 03821-0246	(603) 742-5631
New Jersey	Raymond C. Thorne	7 Thornolden Ave., Haddon Heights, NJ 08035	(856) 574-7839
New Mexico	Allen L. Bruner	P.O. Box 66059, Albuquerque, NM 87193-6059	
New South Wales Australia	John S. Williams	Box 134 Petersham, 2049 New South Wales, Australia	
New York	Charles J. Reilly	2150 Bleecker St., Utica, NY 13501	(315) 798-4887
New Zealand	Arthur N. French	P.O. Box 38224, Howick, Auckland 1705, New Zealand	
Newfoundland	Lawrence Moss	10 Brinex Avenue, Springdale, Newfoundland AJO 1T0	
North Carolina	Robert A. Schaffer	P.O. Box 17212, Raleigh, NC 27619	(919) 832-9937
North Dakota	Merle L. Huhner	P.O. Box 9544, Fargo, ND 58106-9544	(701) 792-3765
Nova Scotia	Laurin C. Armstrong	RR 4, Shubenacadie, Nova Scotia, B0N 2H0	
Ohio	Dale G. Ray, Jr.	564 W. Tuscarawas Ave. Ste. 401, Barborton, OH 44203	(330) 753-3670
Oklahoma	John D. Miller, Jr.	1630 South 101st East Avenue, Tulsa, OK 74128-4630	(918) 622-4221
Ontario Canada	Melvyn J. Duke	361 King Street West, Hamilton, Ontario L8P 1B4	(905) 522-5775
Oregon	Dalvin L. Hollaway	P.O. Box 767, Canyonville, OR 97417	(541) 839-4336
Panama	Alfonso Torres Galindo	P.O. Box 6-47, El Dorado, Republic of Panama	011-507-260-4086
Paraguay	Odilon Ayala	1-a-Juanta Municipal No. 644, Fernando de La Mora, Paraguay, South America	
Pennsylvania	Roy E. Cook	1 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107	(215) 567-5680
Philippines	Isaac F. Arribas, Jr.	Paradel Masonic Temple, 1440 San Marcelino Street, Ermita Manila, Philippines 01101	
Portugal	Antonio M. Gameiro Lebre	Rua Joao Saraiva 13-3, 1700-248 Lisboa, Portugal	00351-917213507
Quebec	Richard S. Siteman	404B-2295 St. Mark Street, Montreal, Quebec, H3H 2G9	(514) 933-6730
Queensland, Australia	Paul W. Weaver	P.O. Box 10272, Brisbane, Queensland Australia, 4000	
Rhode Island	Robert J. Stearns	111 Petis Dr., Warwick, RI 02886	(401) 351-4765
Romania	Adrian Pascu	Bldg. Dimitrie Cantemir nr 12-14, Apt. 2 Sector 4, 751221-Bucharest, Romania	40-21-337-2767
Saskatchewan	Lorne Kingston	159 Weaver Cresc., Swift Current, Saskatchewan Canada, S9H 4B8	
Scotland	Grahame J. Smith	23 St. John Street, Edinburgh, Scotland, EH8 8DG	0131-556-6687
South Australia	Noel D. Fairweather	P.O. Box 19 Rundle Mall, Adelaide, South Australia, 5000	

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State	Name	Address	Office
South Carolina	Johnnie T. Morris	P.O. Box 7463, Columbia, SC 29202-7463	(803) 799-9159
South Dakota	Harlan F. Peterson	427 S. Western Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57104	(605) 336-2910
Spain	Jordi Rodrigues	Masonic Temple, Gran, Via de Les Corts Catalanes 617, E-08007 Barcelona, Spain	003493 302 5991
Switzerland	J.D. M. Miller	P.O. Box 7204, CH 3001 Berne 2, Switzerland	
Tennessee	Luther Alvin Hill, Sr.	P.O. Box 24216, Nashville, TN 37202	(615) 255-2625
Texas	Orville L. O'Neill	P.O. Box 296, Waco, TX 76703-0296	(254) 753-6721
Utah	Kenneth M. Neuschwander	4220 S. 4900 W., West Valley City, UT 84120-4823	(801) 966-2953
Venezuela	Neptail Boyer	P.O. Box 751, Valencia, Venezuela	
Vermont	Phillip D. Goss	49 East Road - Berlin, Barre, VT 05641-5390	(802) 223-0411
Victoria, Australia	Wayne L. Smith	300 Albert St., East Melbourne 3002, Victoria Australia	9419-2288
Virginia	Howard F. Coleman	4101 Nine Mile Rd., Richmond, VA 23223-4999	(804) 222-9120
Washington	Louis E. Bertrand	509 E. Neptune Drive, Oak Harbor, WA 98277-7921	(360) 679-3403
West Virginia	Stanley K. Allen	P.O. Box 226, Jane Lew, WV 26378	(304) 745-4228
Western Australia	R. L. Price	P.O. Box 6002 Hay Street, G.P.O. East Perth, Australia 6892	(08) 9325-7751
Wisconsin	Milton F. Gregory	36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman, WI 53118	(414) 965-2200
Wyoming	Louis M. Ellenberger, Jr.	1315 Mitchell, Laramie, WY 82072	(307) 745-7630
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With the exception of the address of the General Grand Chapter, those in bold are updates from the previous year.

LIVING PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Living Past Grand High Priests	Year
Delno J. Spellman	1970-1971
Charles A. Bottermuller	1971-1972
E. Allen Kohler	1976-1977
P. Vincent Kinkade	1980-1981
Gene M. Zinn	1981-1982
David A. Watson	1983-1984
Virgil L. Bailey	1984-1985
James M. Williams	1985-1986
Richard D. Carroll	1987-1988
Foster S. Crawford	1988-1989
Ervin A. Drewing	1989-1990
Frank P. Wilfley, Jr.	1990-1991
Earl W. Orr	1991-1992
Larry L. Muir	1992-1993
Clarence L. Alumbaugh	1993-1994
Harry O. Maenner	1994-1995
William E. Brennenman	1995-1996
Ralph P. Bunnell	1996-1997
Calvin D. Schroff	1997-1998
Robert W. Schlichter	1998-1999
José R. Palacios	1999-2000
Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	2000-2001
Roy A. Welshon, Sr.	2002-2003
Delbert R. Gentry	2003-2004

2004-2005 DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

Region	Name
1A	Clyde F. Bondy, Jr.
1B	Darrell A. Wilham
2A	Dan Daniel
2B	William W. Mier
3A	Ronald L. Barrett
3B	Steven M. Anderson
3C	James W. Williams
4A	Marion W. Dey
4B	Larry D. Wyatt
5	Charles G. Coy
6	Cecil O. Blaylock
7A	James A. Nunn
7B	Christopher C. McLemore, IV

2004-2005 DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

Region	Name
1A	David Lloyd
1B	Arthur E. Carlson
2A	Delbert R. Gentry
2B	Kenneth L. Dunlap
3A	Scott S. Crawford
3B	Forrest G. Lowe
3C	Jack E. Timmons
4A	Russell S. Hanson
4B	Roy L. Gilkey
5	David H. Lewis
6	John E. Crites
7A	C. C. McLemore, III
7B	C. C. McLemore, III

2004-2005 GRAND CHAPTER STANDING COMMITTEES

Address of Grand High Priest
Delbert R. Gentry
Credentials
Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman Phillip W. Engel
Fred A. Troxel, Jr.

2004-2005 GRAND CHAPTER STANDING COMMITTEES (Continued)

Education	
James A. Nunn, Chairman	(7 years)
Kenneth L. Dunlap	(1 year)
Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	(2 years)
William R. Probst	(3 years)
Larry T. Odom	(4 years)
C. Scott Houge	(5 years)
Scott S. Crawford	(6 years)
Kevin B. Sample	(ex-officio)
Finance	
William R. Probst, Chairman	(3 years)
George Merkle	(1 years)
Kirk McDaniel, Jr.	(2 years)
Donald L. Trabue	(ex-officio)
Jurisprudence	
Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman	Charles A. Bottermuller
Stanton T. Brown	Robert R. Anderson, Jr.
Returns of Chapters	
Harley L. Kropf	
Time and Place	
Harley L. Kropf	
Triennial	
José R. Palacios, Chairman	Harley L. Kropf
William E. Brenneman	

2004-2005 GRAND CHAPTER SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Audit	
Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman	Kirk McDaniel, Jr.
Ronnie E. Green	
Charity	
Earl W. Orr, Chairman	Donald L. Trabue
Kevin B. Sample	
Golf Tournament	
William J. Bowser, Chairman	

2004-2005 GRAND CHAPTER SPECIAL COMMITTEES (Continued)**Internet & Electronic Communications**

Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

Aaron M. Shoemaker, Webmaster

Life Membership

José R. Palacios, Chairman

(1 year)

Kirk McDaniel, Jr.

(2 years)

Walter W. Doyle

(3 years)

Donald L. Trabue

(ex-officio)

Kevin B. Sample

(ex-officio)

Long Distance Program

Robert E. Hardester, Chairman

Membership and Youth Activities

Lionel J. Goede, Chairman

Steven M. Anderson

Robert L. Hogan

James J. Gibbons

Teddie E. Harrison

Eldon L. Cobb

Ervin A. Drewing

Review and Historical

James M. Williams, Chairman

Ralph P. Bunnell

Ritual

Calvin D. Schroff, Chairman

District Deputy Grand Lecturers

Royal Arch Mason Magazine, Editor

Robert H. Bray

Royal Arch Research Assistance

Albert E. Folds, Chairman

José R. Palacios, Co-Chairman

Foster S. Crawford

Marion W. Dey

Danny L. Ferguson

David H. Lewis

Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.

Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr.

Ralph P. Bunnell

Roy N. Thomas

York Rite Conference

George L. Duncan, Chairman

Timothy Munday

Ralph P. Bunnell

Jack E. Timmons

Robert H. Bray

Robert E. Hardester

Charles W. Carlstrom

James W. Watson

2004-2005 GRAND CHAPTER SPECIAL COMMITTEES (Continued)

Grand Officer Assignments	
Harley L. Kropf	Region 1
Delbert R. Gentry	Region 2
George L. Duncan	Region 3
Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr.	Region 4
William B. Stephenson, Jr.	Region 5
Steven C. Monrotus	Region 6
C. C. McLemore, III	Region 7

General Grand Chapter Officers	
José R. Palacios	General Grand Principal Sojourner
	Deputy General Grand High Priest of the South Central Region
Lionel J. Goede	General Grand Chapter Ambassador in Missouri

**2004-2005 OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF
ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

ELECTED AND APPOINTED

Name	Office
Walter W. Doyle (15, 38, 110)	Grand High Priest
Harley L. Kropf (99)	Grand King
William B. Stephenson, Jr. (78, 131)	Grand Scribe
Donald L. Trabue (34)	Grand Treasurer
Kevin B. Sample (17, 114)	Grand Secretary
Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr. (32)	Grand Captain of the Host
Robert E. Hardester (146)	Grand Principal Sojourner
George L. Duncan (3)	Grand Royal Arch Captain
Christopher C. McLemore, III (38, 61, 110)	Grand Master of the 3 rd Veil
Steven C. Monrotus (129)	Grand Master of the 2 nd Veil
Claude M. Eckert (66)	Grand Master of the 1 st Veil
Daniel R. Quesenbery (12)	Grand Chorister
Matthey L. Quesenberry (12)	Assistant Grand Chorister
Eldon L. Cobb (12)	Grand Chaplain
James M. Williams (14)	Grand Historian
Calvin D. Schroff (93)	Grand Lecturer
John E. Schofield (3, 12, 75)	Grand Organist
Kenneth L. Dunlap (110)	Grand Sentinel
James A. Nunn (38, 110)	Assistant Grand Sentinel

The next Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri will be held at the Lodge of the Ozarks, Branson, Missouri on May 20th, 2005.



2004-2005 OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

(Front row, from left to right): Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr.; Donald L. Trabue; Harley L. Kropf; Walter W. Doyle; William B. Stephenson, Jr.; Kevin B. Sample; Robert E. Hardester; and Eldon L. Cobb. *(Back row, from left to right):* Daniel L. Quesenberry; Calvin D. Schroff; Claude M. Eckert; George L. Duncan; C.C. McLemore, III; Steven C. Monrous; John L. Dunlap; James M. Williams; and John E. Schofield.



2004-2005 LADIES OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

(From left to right): Royann Quesenberry; Shirley Cobb; Deana McLemore; Mary Duncan; Darlene Doyle; Myra Dingman; Joyce A. Sample; and Cathleen Stephenson.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHTH
ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Anointed Order

OF

High Priesthood

OF THE

State of Missouri



HELD AT
CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI
MAY 14, 2004, A.:BEO.:3917



Order of the High Priesthood

The 148th Annual Convention of the Anointed Order of High Priesthood of Missouri assembled in the meeting room at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City, Missouri at 3:30 p.m. Friday, May 14, 2004.

There being a constitutional number of members present, Ex. President Paul K. Kawakami opened the convention in short form (to save time) with the following Officers present.

President – Paul K. Kawakami
 Vice-President – Gordon E. Hopkins
 Chaplain – Stanton T. Brown
 Recorder/Treasurer – Richard J. Holmes
 Master of Ceremonies – Kevin B. Sample

Conductor –
 Herald – David R. Vogler
 Steward (pro tem) – Larry D. Wyatt
 Sentinel – Harley L. Kropf

ELECTION OF CANDIDATES AND CONFERRING OF ORDER

The Recorder presented petitions for the Order from the following Excellent Companions, stating that each had been certified by the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri and is now serving or has served as High Priest of their respective Chapter.

Carl Bryan (14)
 Stephen D. Walker (15) **
 Gene C. Berck (27)
 Richard Mills (27)
 William C. Woolsey (32)
 James D. Smallwood (32)
 Andrew L. Wyatt (32)
 Alonzo J. R. Hudson (33) *
 Paul R. Cannon (148)

James C. Morgan (64)
 Harold J. McClellan (64)
 Aaron D. Jones (110)
 Clark A. McLemore (110)
 Lee Francis (129)
 Melvin L. Tacke (139)
 Loren Taylor (139)
 Sergio Martinez, Sr. (139)

* Elected in 2003, ** Not present for conferral



Order of High Priesthood candidates.

The above candidates, having been elected and properly prepared, were received, anointed, consecrated, and set apart to the Holy Order of High Priesthood.

DEGREE CONFERRAL



The Order was conferred by a special ritual team listed below:

President	Emory J. Hampel	Conductor	Roy N. Thomas
Vice-President	Harley L. Kropf	Herald	Kevin E. Weaver
Chaplain	K. Trent Moreland	Prologue	Charles A. Bottermuller
Master of Ceremonies	Kevin B. Sample	Organist	John E. Schofield

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

None present.

APPROVAL OF PROCEEDINGS

The proceedings of the 147th Annual Convention, having been printed and distributed, were approved as printed.

HONORARIUM AND EXPENSES

It was moved and seconded that Recorder's Honorarium and expenses be paid and that the Past Grand High Priest's apron be allowed. The motion carried.

REPORT OF RECORDER-TREASURER 2003-2004

Pulaski Bank Checking Acct. No. 0035543857			
Balance, April 30, 2003	\$	1,294.55	
Deposit, May 22, 2003 (6 candidates @ \$30.00 ea.)	\$	180.00	
Deposit, May 22, 2003 (28 rituals @ \$2.00 ea.)	\$	56.00	
Deposit, April 21, 2004 (5 candidates @ \$30.00 ea.)	\$	150.00	
Total			\$ 1,680.55
Disbursements			
Ck No. 0105, Richard J. Holmes (2003 Honorarium)	\$	100.00	
Total Disbursements			\$ 100.00
Balance, April 30, 2004			\$ 1,580.55
Pulaski Bank Savings Acct. 0030091484			
Balance, April 30, 2003	\$	1,645.24	
Interest Income	\$	8.71	
Total			\$ 1,653.95
Disbursements		0.00	
Total Disbursements			\$ 0.00
Balance, April 30, 2004			\$ 1,653.95
Pulaski Bank CD No. 0037394496			
12 month @ 1.259% (matures April 16, 2004)	\$	4,000.00	
Interest Income (April 16, 2003 to April 16, 2004)	\$	48.14	
Balance	\$	4,048.14	
<i>Note: The above CD was reinvested at 2.625% for 29 months. It now matures on September 21, 2006.</i>			
Total Assets, April 30, 2004 (Checking, Savings, & CD's)	\$		7,282.64

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

We the undersigned Audit Committee, find the report of the Recorder/Treasurer to be complete and correct.

C. C. McLemore, III
José R. Palacios, Chairman

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The nominating committee recommended the following Officers for 2004-2005:
(Note: Due to a death and resignation, three appointments had to be made.)

President – Gordon E. Hopkins	Conductor – Harley L. Kropf
Vice-President – Stanton T. Brown	Herald – Kevin E. Weaver
Chaplain – Kevin B. Sample	Steward – Gary A. Phillips
Recorder/Treasurer – Richard J. Holmes	Sentinel – Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
Master of Ceremonies – David R. Vogler	

Fraternally submitted,
 Jack R. Clark
 William R. Probst, Chairman

Roy A. Welshon, Sr.

The nominations were approved and the slate of officers was elected unanimously.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



The above named officers were installed by the following Companions:

Installing President.....	MEC P. Vincent Kinkad
Installing Marshal.....	MEC Ralph P. Bunnell
Installing Chaplain.....	EC Glenn E. Means

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

The Excellent President Gordon Hopkins asked the Junior Past President Paul K. Kawakami to approach the East where he presented the jewel of a Past President to him and congratulated him on a job well done. Excellent Companion Kawakami thanked all for their help. The Recorder noted that the next Convention will be the 150th meeting of the Order of High Priesthood of Missouri and we should be thinking about doing something to celebrate this occasion.

The Excellent President thanked all for his election and their attendance.

No further business appearing, the Order of High Priesthood was closed with prayer at 5:10 p.m.

Richard J. Holmes, Recorder/Treasurer
 Paul K. Kawakami, Gordon E. Hopkins

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

*One Hundred Thirty- Ninth
Annual Assembly*

OF THE

Grand Council

OF

Cryptic Masons

OF THE

State of Missouri



HELD AT
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MAY 13, 2004, A.:.DEP.:.3004





Gary Andrew Phillips
Grand Master
Grand Council of Missouri
2003-2004

Biographical

GARY ANDREW PHILLIPS Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri 2003-2004

Gary A. Phillips was born June 14, 1962 in Strong City, Kansas to Owen G. & Sharolyn Phillips, the second of four children. Gary graduated from Columbus Kansas High School in 1980 and is listed in "WHO'S WHO AMONG AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS". He attended Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg Kansas where he became a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. This is where he met Debbie and they were married in 1984. Gary graduated in 1985 with a degree in Business Administration Information Systems. Gary and Debbie have been blessed with three children: Diane, David, and Sarah. They attend the First United Methodist Church of Oronogo where he serves as President of the church board. He works with his daughter, Diane, in Rainbow for Girls; his son, David, in DeMolay; and his daughter, Sarah, in Girl Scouts. Years ago, when he had spare time Gary liked to fish and hunt. He says he will enjoy those activities again someday.

Gary was raised a Master Mason October 31, 1983 in Pittsburg Lodge No. 187 at Pittsburg, Kansas. He transferred in 1987 to Fellowship Lodge No. 345 of Joplin. He served as Master in 2000 (Life Member). He is also a member of Webb City Lodge No. 512 and served as Master in 1999. He also served the Grand Lodge as District Deputy Grand Lecturer in 2001-02.

He was exalted in Pittsburg Chapter No. 58 at Pittsburg, Kansas in November 1983. He transferred to Joplin Chapter No. 91 in 1987 where he served as High Priest in 1992 (Life Member) and 2004; District Deputy Grand Lecturer in 1997-2001; and District Deputy High Priest in 2001-03. He is also Grand Representative to Belgium.

MIC Phillips was greeted in Silver Trowel Council No. 27 at Cherokee, Kansas in November 1983. He transferred to Jasper Council No. 30 at Joplin in 1987 and served as Illustrious Master in 1993 (Life Member). Gary is also a Charter Member of Bert S. Lee Council No. 58 at Springfield (Life Member). He served the Grand Council as Regional Deputy Grand Master in 1996-98 and was appointed Grand Steward by MIC Bob Detherow.

Gary received the Commandery orders in Montjoie Commandery No. 29 at Pittsburg, Kansas in November 1983. He transferred to Ascension Commandery No. 39 at Joplin in 1987 and served as Commander in 1992 (Life Member).

As far as Appendant Bodies, Gary is a member of Missouri Priory No. 17, KYCH, Order of Past Master, Order of High Priesthood, Order of Silver Trowel, Past Commanders Association of Missouri, Missouri Lodge of Research (Life Member), Philalethes Society, Memorial Council No. 420 Allied Masonic Degrees, Tipperary Council No. 62 (Life Member) and Cell Airne No. 76 (Life Member) Knight Masons, Ray V. Denslow York Rite College No. 180 (Life Member) & Order of the Purple Cross of the York Rite College of North America, House of Lord's No. 72 Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priest, and St Andrew Conclave Red Cross of Constantine.

MIC Phillips is also a member of Joplin Valley (Life Member), Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite, KCCH, the Royal Order of Scotland (Life Member), and Mirza Shrine Temple in Pittsburg, Kansas.



2003-2004 OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

(Front row, from left to right): Albert H. Miller; Donald L. Trabue; Stanton T. Brown; Gary A. Phillips; Robert H. Bray; Kevin B. Sample; and Robert L. Wright. (Back row, from left to right): Matthew L. Quesenberry; Chris M. Jessen; Daniel R. Quesenberry; Eric R. Mattson; Edgar F. Coonrod; and Jack D. Brown.

*One Hundred Thirty-Ninth
Annual Assembly*

The Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri held its One Hundred Thirty-Ninth Annual Assembly at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, Missouri on May 13, 2004 beginning at 9:00 a.m., with the following Grand Officers in their stations:

Gary A. Phillips	Grand Master
Stanton T. Brown	Deputy Grand Master
Robert H. Bray	Grand Principal Conductor of the Work
Donald L. Trabue	Grand Treasurer
Kevin B. Sample	Grand Recorder
Albert H. "Sonny" Miller	Grand Captain of the Guard
Robert L. Wright	Grand Conductor of the Council
Edgar F. Coonrod	Grand Marshal
Jack D. Brown	Grand Steward
Eric R. Mattson	Grand Chaplain
Gayle D. Bedell	Grand Sentinel
Robert H. Bray	Grand Lecturer
Chris M. Jessen	Grand Organist
Daniel R. Quesenberry	Grand Chorister
Matthew L. Quesenberry	Asst. Grand Chorister

RECEPTION OF THE 2003-2004 GRAND COUNCIL OFFICERS

Most Illustrious Companion Richard J. Holmes introduced the Grand Council Officers as they entered. The Grand Principal Conductor of the Work led the craft in the Grand Honors.

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

Albert Pike Camp, Heroes of '76, St. Louis Chapter No. 22, National Sojourners conducted the presentation and posting of the colors. The Companions united in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and singing of the National Anthem.



Presentation and posting of the colors by Albert Pike Camp, Heroes of '76, St. Louis Chapter No. 22, National Sojourners.

OPENING OF THE GRAND COUNCIL

The Grand Council Officers opened the One Hundred Thirty-Ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri in full ritualistic form at 8:00 a.m.

MIC Phillips thanked the Companions for their attendance and expressed that he wished all an enjoyable Grand Session.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The Grand Recorder reported on behalf of the Committee on Credentials that there was a constitutional number of Councils present to open a Grand Assembly.

INTRODUCTION AND RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

PAST GRAND MASTERS



Illustrious Companion Wright introduces the Past Grand Masters of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri. Present (*from left to right*) were Most Illustrious Companions: Richard J. Holmes; William J. Bowser; Teddie E. Harrison; C. Richard Carter; E. Allen Kohler; John V. Crampton; William R. Probst; Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.; Jack R. Clark, Sr.; William G. Buckner; and George R. Johnson. (*Not pictured but in attendance was LeRoy D. Unruh.*)

HEADS OF MISSOURI BODIES



IC Miller introduced Illustrious Companions Thomas C. Yunick, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri and Illustrious Companion Delbert R. Gentry, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri. Following the grand honors, Grand Master Phillips greeted these distinguished Companions in the East.

OUT OF STATE GUESTS



IC Brown introduced (*from left to right*): RIC Jim Jackson, Deputy Grand Master and official representative of the Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Kansas; MIC James N. Karnegis, Past Grand Master and official representative of the Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Nebraska; IC James A. Cooper, Grand Captain of the Guard and official representative of the Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Illinois; and MIC Herschel O. Thomas, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Illinois and Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Missouri near Illinois.

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL OFFICERS



IC Wright presents MIC William G. Buckner, General Grand Council CMMR Committee, and Missouri representative. MIC Buckner spoke on behalf of the General Grand Council fundraiser for CMMRF. It is a new collectible coin that depicts the Nine Arches on one side and the George Washington National Memorial on the other side. The coins cost \$10.00 each. Profits from the sale of the coins are to benefit the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation.



IC Miller introduced Right Puissant Companion Ronald E. Fullerlove, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Illinois and official representative of Most Puissant Companion Perry Anderson, General Grand Master of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International. Following the grand honors, he was escorted to the East to address the Grand Assembly.



RPC Fullerlove thanked the Grand Master for the reception and expressed that he would like to address the Grand Council later in the meeting.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS



IC Wright introduces IC Ronald D. Miller, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, & Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri and RIC Ronald E. Wood, Jr., Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, & Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri.



IC Brown presented these Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, & Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri. Present (*from left to right*) were: IC Glenn E. Means and IC Vern H. Schneider.

MIC Phillips paused to recognize from the floor IC Lionel J. Goede, Grand Governor of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America in Missouri.



IC Miller presents IC Stanley M. Thompson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, & Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri. The Grand Master received the Grand Honors and was conducted to the East.

ADDRESS OF MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER THOMPSON

Most Illustrious Grand Master Phillips, Past Illustrious Grand Masters, Companions, but most importantly, all of you are beloved members of our Masonic family. Welcome to another annual event that I look forward to each year. Thank God we meet together each year. Thank God our family is thriving this year.

I want to thank the York Rite this year for the commitment it has had to the program of discovering the Masonic family that I have tried to sponsor a little bit through the Grand Lodge. Next weekend I will be in Springfield for a unique event; it is a one-day event where the York Rite, Scottish Rite, and the Grand Lodge are all getting together to help each other to do a one-day class to bring in new Masons. Hopefully, again, we will pass out more petitions for each of the bodies. If you have not brought in a new member into the York Rite this year, shame on you. If you have not brought in a new member to the Lodge, shame on you. If you have not brought in one to the Scottish Rite or Shrine, shame on you. I am still working on the Shrine, but I have made the other three.

Illustrious Sir, I hope you have a wonderful conference. Thank you.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Recorder called the roll of the Grand Representatives of other jurisdictions to Missouri as they assembled. The Grand Representatives of other Grand Councils near the Grand Council of Missouri in attendance are noted in the report of the Committee on Credentials. *(A complete listing of Grand Representatives may be found in the back of the proceedings.)*



REGIONAL DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS



IC Brown introduced these Regional Deputy Grand Masters. Present (from left to right) were: IC Albert E. Folds, Region 7; IC Steven C. Monrotus, Region 6; IC Lewis C. Odneal, Region 4; IC Daniel R. Quesenberry, Region 3, District B; IC Steven M. Anderson, Region 3, District A; and IC John E. Thraillkill, Region 2. The Grand Master thanked them for their work this year and expressed that he looks for great things from them in the future.

REGIONAL DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS



IC Wright introduces these Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers. Present (from left to right) were: IC Arthur C. Highman, Region 6; IC Edgar F. Coonrod, Region 5; IC James G. Wade, Region 4; IC Roy N. Thomas, Region 3, District B; IC John E. Schofield, Region 3, District A; and IC George L. Duncan, Region 2. (Not pictured was IC C.C. McLemore, III, Region 7.)

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Welcome to the 139th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Missouri. I know that every one of you has a very busy life and I thank you for taking time to express your interest in Cryptic Masonry by attending this Grand Assembly. To our distinguished representatives of the General Grand Council and other out of state guest companions, I welcome you and extend the courtesies of our Grand Council. Please make yourselves at home. To the representatives of the councils of Missouri, I thank you for attending to the work set before us. Your input is very much needed and solicited. I also want to express my gratitude for allowing me to serve the companions of Missouri as Grand Master. It was an exciting experience but one I am now thankful is to be bestowed on another worthy companion. When I compare what has been accomplished with what I had hoped to accomplish I am disappointed but I realize that I have done all that was mine to accomplish.

NECROLOGY

Companions, losing a Masonic brother is difficult at best and this year we are again deeply saddened and grieve the loss of several of our Masonic family. I join with you in paying a tribute to every one who has journeyed to that "house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens" Please give attention to the Necrology service by Illustrious Companion Eric R. Mattson, Grand Chaplain.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

by Eric R. Mattson, Grand Chaplain

(Isaiah, 40:28-31) Have you not known? Have you not heard, the Lord is the everlasting God, the creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint nor grow weary, his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary and the young will fall exhausted. But those that wait for the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. – *Isaiah, 40:28-31*

The deaths of our Companions can leave us with a wide range of emotions. The very real loss of Companions we laughed with, enjoyed table fellowship with, joined in ritual with, in short, shared the journey of life with, can leave us feeling sorrow on many levels and in many ways.

We are saddened as we remember the loss of 154 Companions during the last Grand Council year. We are saddened as we remember our Most Illustrious Past Grand Master Ernest Jewell Thacker and our Most Illustrious Past Grand Master Donald C. Treece. But the God of hope will renew our strength if we wait for the Lord as we mourn our loss and as we face our own common and inevitable mortality. Our souls will be comforted and our life will return to its proper perspective. If we wait for the Lord, we will gain a deeper appreciation of the meaning of our lives and the good towards which we are called to strive. If we wait upon the Lord, we will value life as a treasure and see how little time we have in this world in which to do good, to love God, and to value and love other people.

If we will wait for the Lord, we will learn how to better trust ourselves to the care of the one true God who will renew our strength. If we wait for the Lord, we will walk humbly with Isaiah's compassionate God who is the everlasting Lord, the creator of those lives we celebrate today, the one who gives us our sure hope in God's future. Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, deal graciously with we who mourn, letting all who are bereaved know the consolation of your love. We give heartfelt thanks for the good examples of your servants, our Companions who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors. We give heartfelt thanks for their fellowship; we give heartfelt thanks for their self-giving response to your blessings invested in their lives. May they have perfect fulfillment and peace in your eternal and everlasting glory. Help those of us who continue to labor in your service to become more deeply aware of the shortness and uncertainty of human life as we continue to serve and to love. This we pray to the honor and glory of your name. Amen.

FIDELITY BOND

On May 15, 2003 I received from MIC Richard Holmes the fidelity bond dated April 15, 2002 and expiring on April 15, 2005 issued by Union Insurance Co. in the amount of \$15,000.00 on the Grand Recorder and \$15,000.00 on the Grand Treasurer. I will pass it to the next Grand Master.

EDICTS AND DISPENSATIONS

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| June 2, 2003 | All Councils of Royal and Select Masters within the State of Missouri are hereby granted a blanket dispensation to hold joint assemblies, one with the other, and to move their normal meeting places to the meeting places of visited Councils for the purposes of official visits of either the Regional Deputy Grand Master, Regional Deputy Grand Lecturer, Grand Master, regularly assemblies, or for the purpose of conferring the Council Degrees. When such joint assemblies occur, the membership of each Council must be notified in advance per by-laws in effect for each Council. It will not be necessary to obtain a separate dispensation each and every time, however, it will be necessary to inform the Grand Master and the Grand Recorder in advance of the event. This edict shall be in effect until a new Grand Master shall be elected and installed into office. |
| June 2, 2003 | Liberty Council No. 50—Dispensation granted to remove its meeting home from the Masonic Hall in Liberty to an as of yet undesignated Lodge for an undetermined length of time. The purpose of the request is to accommodate reconstruction of the Lodge building in Liberty as a result of the most recent tornadic activity. |
| December 3, 2003 | Dispensation granted to East Gate Council No. 51 to hold a special election to fill the vacancy of the Illustrious Master and Recorder. |

BY-LAWS

The following by-laws changes were approved:

June 16, 2003	Centralia Council No. 34—relocation of Centralia Council No. 34 R&SM from Centralia to the new York Rite Masonic Temple, 3 Masonic Drive, Columbia, Missouri.
August 15, 2003	Rolla Council No. 39—by-laws revision

APPOINTMENTS

It was my pleasure to appoint the following Grand Officers for the 2003-2004 year:

Jack D. Brown	Grand Steward
Gayle D. Bedell	Grand Sentinel
Eric R. Mattson	Grand Chaplain
Robert H. Bray	Grand Lecturer
Chris M. Jessen	Grand Organist
Daniel R. Quesenberry	Grand Chorister
Matthew L. Quesenberry	Asst. Grand Chorister

as well as the listed Regional Deputy Grand Masters, Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers, and Committeemen.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

It was my pleasure to nominate the following Companions as Grand Representatives from other jurisdictions to the Grand Council of Missouri:

Marion W. Dey	France
Paul Tobias	Israel
Francis Latragna	Italy

It was also my pleasure to appoint the following Companions as Grand Representatives of the Grand Council of Missouri near Grand Councils of other jurisdictions:

James D. Price	Arkansas
Pierre M. Meste	France
Robert C. Simpson	Germany
Mario Cifarelli	Italy
Byran E. Lee	Nebraska
Carol Eugene Monday, Jr.	Ohio
James Dunbar	South Dakota
Clarence J. Laney	Texas

VISITATIONS

(A listing of official visits is on file with the Grand Recorder and will not be listed herein.)

STATE OF THE CRAFT

Companions, I am a firm believer that Masonry will be here for a very long time. We need to remember that we are good men who want to become better, and in becoming better, we will attract others of a similar nature. I believe the good Masons of the state of Missouri will continue to practice our Masonic art and pass it on to the next generation. I will be honored to work with these companions to this end. Companions, let us not forget that "change is the universal law" and we need to be on the front edge of this change so that we are ready to accept the changes that will benefit the craft for the next wave of Masons. I have seen some of the best Masons of the state during my travels and I believe that this core of individuals will continue the Masonic ideals forward to the next generation. We have many members but how many truly Masonic members do we have? Masonry is one man serving his fellow creatures, not someone who is looking to receive honor and glory for doing something. Masonry is best practiced in secret; and letting God who sees in secret reward us in His good time. My philosophy through the years has been "If you are doing this for the rewards and honors then you better get out; because there are not enough rewards and honors to satisfy a self serving individual." Companions let us strive to be of service to others instead of ourselves. "He that would be greatest among you let him be as the younger and he that is chief as he that doth serve." Luke 22:26 The Companions here assembled are the ones most concerned with the future of Masonry and are the ones that need to keep Masonry available to the men of the future. We have a need for new companions but not just for the sake of numbers, we need membership that will see Masonry as a path to be continually traveled not as a goal to be attained. I witnessed some excellent ritual and some very poor attempts at ritual. I suggest that the Grand Lecturer hold a minimum of four schools on ritual across the state and then the Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers hold schools in their regions. I suggest that the Grand Council Officers continue to make long-range plans which will strengthen the Grand Council financially, administratively and ritually. This will allow guidance for the future officers to make their individual plans. I also recommend that the Grand Officers look for younger companions to fill the various positions in the Grand Council. Many of our newer members need to gain the experience of committee appointments, representatives, and regional offices from the more experienced members currently filling those stations. Not necessarily replacing them but assisting and learning so they will be empowered to take care of the Grand Council in the years to come. They will bring a new perspective to what we are trying to accomplish. I believe that many of our good companions currently serving in these positions have either too much on their plate or have become less sensitive to the needs of Cryptic Masonry. Let some new blood in and let the more experienced members concentrate on areas of their greater abilities. Companions, I dearly love Masonry as a whole but particularly York Rite Masonry because of its close ties to the Blue Lodge. I want to be a better man and you are my mentors and fellow travelers on this path to more light. I charge each of you to look well to the East and make every effort to be someone's good impression of Royal and Select Master Masonry!

I thank the previous Grand Masters for their time, patience, understanding, and support. This job was made easier by their help. I look forward to continuing to serve the companions of Missouri. I have made many new acquaintances and even a few new friends.

Thank you very much for the time of my life.

Respectfully submitted,



Gary A. Phillips, Grand Master, 2003-2004

RIC Stanton T. Brown assumed the East. It was moved and seconded that the report of the Grand Master be accepted and referred to the Committees on the Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence for appropriate action.

Report Accepted, May 13, 2004

COMMUNICATIONS

Grand Recorder Sample acknowledged receipt of various communications from other grand jurisdictions and some of our Past Grand Masters who extended to the Grand Master their apologies for not being able to attend the session, but all congratulated him on a most successful year.

APPROVAL OF PROCEEDINGS

The Grand Recorder moved that the proceedings of the 2003 Annual Assembly be approved as printed and distributed subject to such corrections as may be addressed to the Grand Recorder and printed in the 2004 proceedings.

Motion approved, May 13, 2004

The Grand Recorder moved that with exception of those items pertaining to jurisprudence and finance, that the various reports contained in the 2004 preliminary proceedings be approved as printed and distributed subject to necessary corrections.

Motion approved, May 13, 2004

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER

April 1, 2003 through May 31, 2004

COMPANIONS: All funds with exception of the Life Membership fund (Commerce Bank, Special Account) are invested in banking institutions in Jefferson City. All accounts are interest bearing, with no service charges, and with amounts being maintained at less than \$100,000 in any one banking institution. Investments in common stock or equal securities in nationally known corporations traded on the New York Stock

Exchange, as allowed by Sec. 135 of the By-Laws is being utilized (Commerce Bank, Special Account). Based on previous ledgers, general fund receipts and expenditures are being projected on a monthly basis, so as to keep investments at the highest practical level for the longest practical time frame.

I present herewith my report of the receipts, disbursements, and the financial condition of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri for the fiscal year, April 1, 2003 through May 31, 2004.

GENERAL FUND

Total Assets March 31, 2003		\$ 56,131.90
Receipts: Grand Recorder, etc.	\$ 37,893.82	
Interest Earned	<u>1,840.46</u>	
Total Receipts:	\$ 39,734.28	
Disbursements: Jefferson Act. #59328 - #1650 thru 1687	\$ 4,196.36	
Jefferson Act. #74544 - #1248 thru 1483	31,030.21	
Jefferson Act. #74325 - #1072 thru 1129	1,230.50	
Jefferson Act. #464155 Debits	<u>2,855.18</u>	
Total Disbursements	\$ 39,312.25	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements		(\$ 422.03)
Balance, General fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 56,553.93

Statement of Assets – General Fund

C.D. #91240, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 4.25%, Due 4/8/05	\$ 6,521.57	
C.D. #95011, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 2.50%, Due 4/8/05	6,150.41	
C.D. #95012, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 3.30%, Due 4/10/06	4,132.36	
C.D. #91241, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 5.20%, Due 4/6/07	4,427.42	
Business Investment Account, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	20,000.00	
Money Market Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	14,274.96	
Interest Checking, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25%	531.15	
Interest Checking, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.27%	373.23	
Interest Checking, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25%	<u>142.83</u>	
Total Assets, General Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 56,553.93

CHARITY ENDOWMENT FUND IN MEMORY OF BRUCE HARMON HUNT

Total Assets, March 31, 2003		\$ 64,579.83
Receipts: Various Contributions	\$ 13,203.32	
Interest earned	<u>1,876.73</u>	
Total Receipts:	\$ 15,080.05	
Disbursements: Charities	\$ 1,500.00	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:		<u>\$ 13,580.05</u>
Balance, Foundation Account, May 31, 2004		\$ 78,159.88

Statement of Assets – Charity Endowment Fund

C.D. #180087, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 2.40%, Due 3/4/05	\$ 27,649.76	
C.D. #6256, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 2.30%, Due 2/19/06	16,090.74	
C.D. #180088, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 3.10%, Due 3/6/06	18,559.55	
C.D. #6257, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 3.00%, Due 2/19/07	8,059.18	
Money Market Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	7,800.65	
Total Assets, Charity Endowment Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 78,159.88

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

Total Assets, March 31, 2003		\$ 59,285.27
Receipts: Memberships (4)	\$ 1,315.85	
Interest Earned	971.27	
From General Fund	2,193.81	
2003 Deceased Member Credit	59.42	
Decrease in Market Value, etc. Commerce Bank Special Act.	<u>(247.58)</u>	
Total Receipts:	\$ 4,292.77	
Disbursements: 2003 Earnings Distribution	\$ 3,076.05	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:		<u>\$ 1,216.72</u>
Balance, Life Membership Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 60,501.99

Statement of Assets – Life Membership Fund

C.D. #97321, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 2.30%, Due 2/17/06	\$ 20,112.46	
C.D. #97322, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 3.00%, Due 2/19/07	10,073.15	
Commerce Bank of Kansas City, Sub-Account #06846-00 (Market Value)	29,752.42	
Money Market Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	<u>563.96</u>	
Total Assets, Life Membership Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 60,501.99

RETIREMENT FUND

Total Assets, March 31, 2003		\$ 28,856.40
Receipts: Interest Earned	\$ 770.66	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:		<u>\$ 770.66</u>
Balance, Retirement Fund, April 15, 2004		\$ 29,627.06

Statement of Assets – Retirement Fund

C.D. #180084, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 2.40%, Due 3/4/05	\$ 18,433.18	
C.D. #180086, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 3.10%, Due 3/6/06	<u>11,193.88</u>	
Total Assets, Retirement Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 29,627.06

TRIENNIAL FUND

Total Assets per Audit, March 31, 2003		\$ 0.00
Receipts: From General Fund	\$ 284.04	
Disbursements:	\$ 0.00	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:		<u>\$ 284.04</u>
Balance, Triennial Fund, April 15, 2004		\$ 284.04

Statement of Assets – Triennial Fund

Money Market Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	\$ 284.04	
Total Assets, Triennial Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 284.04
Total Assets, All Funds, May 31, 2004		\$225,126.90

Fraternally Submitted,
Donald L. Trabue, Grand Treasurer

REPORTS OF GRAND RECORDER**SUMMARY**

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions, the membership records are getting closer to those reported by Council Recorders. Our records differ from recorders by about 125. Many recorders are still not providing us with accurate membership records—meaning that they do not have them themselves. Joyce is working with them each and every day to try to get these numbers together. It is extremely important that recorders keep accurate records of their membership to include full names, addresses, phone numbers, degree dates (all of them, not just the Select Master, and they need to keep track of who has/has not received the Super Excellent Master Degree), and keep up with suspensions and reinstatements, dimits, etc. It is also extremely important that they report any changes in their membership as soon as it happens, not just during the annual return. We have about half of the recorders that keep us up to date with that information and we thank them for their hard work.

There is a situation with the membership database hired to be developed for the Grand York Rite. The vendor hired has refused to provide us with the application developed, work with us to move the membership records over, and has gone out of business. Legal action is taking place at this time.

At the time of this communication, we are still waiting on annual returns from Westport No. 38 and El Camino No. 52. The Recorder of Westport has had health problems and was given an extension.

Seven annual reports were late this year, the last being received on April 27. The continued tardiness of these reports makes it impossible for us to provide the membership numbers needed to develop budgets and long-range goals for the Grand Council. Council Illustrious Masters, Regional Deputy Grand Masters, and the Grand Officers are now being informed of these delinquencies.

Liberty Council No. 50 has still refused to pay late fees for 2000, 2001, and 2002. All other Councils are working with this office to complete their annual return fees.

The reports on council audits and bonds can be found in the tabular statements of councils. Annual audits are good for the most part, but some chapters simply refuse to complete the annual audit. Council reports still identify that monies of the councils are not deposited in accounts with at least two signatures.

General information about the York Rite and the publication of the proceedings can be found in the Report of the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter.

Joyce and I thank the Grand Master, and all the grand officers and members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri for a most enjoyable and productive year. It has been a distinct pleasure to work with MIC Phillips. We also thank Teddie Harrison for his continued support of this office in his donation of paper; and a very special word of thanks goes to Paul Cannon who has so graciously given of his time and money to volunteer in the office and assist with a great many things in the day to day operations of the Grand York Rite. We thank all those who volunteer their time to help with the Grand York Rite Session—we could not do it without them. We all look forward to working with each and every one in the future.

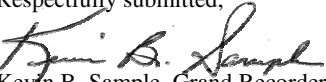
SUPPLEMENTAL
SECRETARY/RECORDER CONFERENCE AND TRAINING

(See the report of the Grand Secretary on page 25 of these Proceedings.)

APPRECIATION

(See the report of the Grand Secretary on page 26 of these Proceedings.)

Respectfully submitted,


Kevin B. Sample, Grand Recorder



STATISTICS
(As of April 1, 2004)

Number of Chartered Councils	32
Number of Members, December 31, 2002	5087
Number Greeted	80
Number Affiliated	2
Number Reinstated	43
Total Gains	125
Number Dimitted	32
Number Suspended By Council NPD	215
Number Suspended by Lodge or Chapter	77
Number Expelled	0
Number Died	154
Total Losses	478
Total Members, December 31, 2003	4734
Net Loss	353

RECAPITULATION

Income	Budgeted	Actual	Balance
Per Capita, Membership 4,300 @ \$5.35	\$ 23,005.00	\$ 25,730.44	\$ 2,725.44
Per Capita, Life Membership	2,500.00	894.75	(1,605.25)
Greeting Fees, 50 @ \$7.00	350.00	560.00	210.00
Interest Income	1,740.00	1,840.46	100.46
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	27,595.00	29,025.62	1,430.65
Appropriations			
Grand Master Expense	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Grand Treasurer	400.00	400.00	0.00
Grand Recorder	4,666.67	4,666.76	(0.09)
Administrative Assistant	4,666.67	4,666.66	0.01
Social Security & Medicare	714.00	714.00	0.00
Employment Security	40.00	23.49	16.51
Audit	200.00	0.00	200.00
Postage	850.00	984.75	(134.75)
Office Expenses *	2,650.00	2,723.96	(73.96)
Office Equipment	1,400.00	1,214.62	185.38
Proceedings, Printing	1,980.00	1,936.33	43.67
Storage Rent	840.00	874.00	(34.00)
Per Capita to General Grand Council (4,666 @ \$0.35)	1,500.00	1,643.25	(143.25)
Triennial Fund (4666 @ \$0.06)	288.00	284.04	3.96
Past Grand Master Jewel	250.00	268.17	(18.17)
Promotion and Education	100.00	0.00	100.00
Grand Officer Conference	350.00	318.46	31.54
Royal Arch Mason Magazine	2,400.00	2,558.53	(158.53)
Editor, Royal Arch Mason Magazine	50.00	50.00	0.00
Insurance	300.00	122.00	178.00
Annual Assembly	3,000.00	1,270.69	1,729.31
Miscellaneous	750.00	220.32	529.68
Total	28,895.34	27,440.03	2,455.31
Income	27,595.00	29,025.62	1,430.65
Appropriations	29,895.34	27,440.03	2,455.31
Income over Expenses	(2,300.34)	1,585.62	3,885.96

** The Finance Committee, with the approval of the Grand Master, amended the 2003-2004 Grand Council Budget, Office Expenses, by increasing it by \$1,000.00 for the purchase of 1,000 Council 50-year pins. The committee notes the cost was relative to the number of jewels ordered; this was the most effective use of the Grand Council's funds.*

CERTIFICATES**2003 -2004 Council 25-year Certificates Issued**

Name	Council	No.	Greeted	Issued
Major, Walter T.	Rolla	39	24-Oct-77	11-Jun-03
Pile, Jr., Thomas North	Rolla	39	21-Oct-78	11-Jun-03
Wiggins, John D.	Rolla	39	20-May-78	11-Jun-03
Burnham, Warnie Rosco	Centralia	34	22-Apr-78	24-Nov-03
Dey, Marion William	Centralia	34	22-Jul-78	24-Nov-03
Fenton, Charles Thomas	Centralia	34	22-Apr-78	24-Nov-03
Fowlkes, Raymond Dale	Centralia	34	22-Apr-78	24-Nov-03
Nichols, Oliver Bud	Centralia	34	22-Apr-78	24-Nov-03
Ray, Wyman Roy	Centralia	34	22-Apr-78	24-Nov-03
Siebuhr, Clarence Fred	Centralia	34	22-Apr-78	24-Nov-03
Wilson, David Edwin	Centralia	34	22-Jul-78	24-Nov-03

2003-2004 Council 50-year Certificates Issued

Name	Council	No.	Greeted	Issued
Townley, William D.	York	40	28-May-53	8-May-03
Carter, Kenneth Robert	Rolla	39	26-Oct-53	15-Sep-03
Cardwell, Charles John	Centralia	34	13-Mar-53	24-Nov-03
Nelson, Homer N.	Centralia	34	13-Mar-53	24-Nov-03
Hunziker, Melvin Lee	Ezra	32	9-Nov-53	10-Dec-03
Townley, Donald A.	Ezra	32	30-Mar-53	10-Dec-03
Townley, Kenneth C.	Ezra	32	14-Dec-49	10-Dec-03
Trigg, Jr., Charles Dick	Ezra	32	30-Oct-53	10-Dec-03
Barnes, Charles D.	Josephus	36	17-Oct-51	8-Jan-04
Davis, Harold V.	Josephus	36	17-Oct-51	8-Jan-04
Kling, Jr., G. Fred	Josephus	36	17-Oct-51	8-Jan-04
Manring, Grodon M.	Josephus	36	16-Feb-54	8-Jan-04
Patton, John M. (57 yr)	Josephus	36	27-Feb-46	8-Jan-04
Ross, Winfield S. (57 yr)	Josephus	36	27-Feb-46	8-Jan-04
Steinman, G. Oren	Josephus	36	7-Apr-53	8-Jan-04
Lawrence, Thomas E.	Josephus	36	7-Apr-53	2-Feb-04
Rowe, Valton L.	Poplar Bluff	27	6-Apr-54	20-Feb-04
Gillespie, George T.	Josephus	36	29-Mar-54	16-Mar-04
Sandusky, R. Rex	Westport	38	9-Apr-54	12-Apr-04

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No.	Council	Location	Chartered	EIN	Illustrious Master	Deputy Master	Principal Conductor of the Work	Recorder
1	Hiram	St. Louis	July 17, 1883	23-7550888	Norman G. Schlagenhauf	David H. Lewis	Patrick E. Finch	Michael D. Kussel
9	St. Joseph	St. Joseph	October 7, 1871	23-7550889	Carl Bryan	Albert L. Smith	Lloyd Waller	William W. Mer
20	Cape	Cape Girardeau	October 6, 1871	43-0488343	Alfred Mason	Charles Henshaw	John Frye, Jr.	Cecil O. Blacklock
24	Spekiah	Kansas City	April 27, 1892	23-7550891	Joseph Lee Heilig	Jimmie Ray Douthitt	Brent Durin Wilson	Kirk McDaniel, Jr.
25	Zabud	Springfield	April 25, 1894	44-0520296	C. Scott Houge	Stephen T. Thompson	Stephen D. Walker	Robert G. Bird
27	Poplar Bluff	Poplar Bluff	April 24, 1895	23-7550893	James Russell Tinker, Sr.	Dimes L. Sansouere	D. Duane Davis	Bill A. Humble
28	Chillicothe	Chillicothe	April 21, 1897	43-1308897	Bobby R. O'Dell	Timothy H. Bosler	Melvin L. Gregg	Bert R. Williams
30	Jasper	Joplin	April 25, 1900	23-7550895	Lee W. Smith	David P. McDaniel	Rodney L. Trimble	Jack D. Brown
32	Ezra	Jefferson City	April 23, 1902	23-7550896	Harold Franklin Coats	Andrew Lee Wyatt	Larry D. Wyatt, Sr.	Robert L. Hudson
34	Centralia	Centralia	April 28, 1908	23-7550897	Larry D. Wyatt	Gene C. Berck	Michael L. Wallis	Kevin B. Sample
35	Fidelity	Mountain Grove	April 26, 1920	23-7550898	Arthur A. Whitman	John Burton	Marshall Biesen	E. Joe Slater
36	Josephus	Albany	April 25, 1921	44-6014762	Kenneth Kent	Gary Karnes	Jerry Cook	James B. Gibbany
37	Trenton	Trenton	April 25, 1921	23-7550900	Larry Odum	Timothy Munday	Robert Day	Michael J. Moore
38	Westport	Kansas City	April 25, 1921	43-6071585	Michael R. Lundeen	Robert W. Kline	Francis W. Benson	Chester L. Ellis, Jr.
39	Rolla	Rolla	April 10, 1922	23-7144150	Chris M. Jessen	James D. Snallowood	William C. Woolsey	Paul R. Cannon
40	York	St. Charles	April 10, 1922	43-1532675	K. Trent Moreland	William F. Buchholz	Paul C. Nuenkirk	Theodore Buckwick
41	Carthage	Carthage	April 10, 1922	23-7550903	Christopher C. McLemore, IV	James R. Leonard	Gary L. Jones	Marvin W. Frost
42	Sedalia	Sedalia	April 10, 1922	43-6068310	Roy Dean DeHaven	William E. Cross	William V. Hanson	Allen B. Bess
43	Bonne Terre	Bonne Terre	April 21, 1924	23-7550905	Albert G. Tindall	A. Carl Highman	J. Joseph Hayes	Steven C. Monrotus
44	Kirksville	Kirksville	April 22, 1929	23-7550906	Randy L. Sands	Richard L. Mansfield	Loren F. Lloyd	William L. Sanders
45	Kansas City	Kansas City	April 24, 1944	23-7550907	Yale Turnham	Roy N. Thomas	E. Ross Miller	Steven M. Anderson
46	Necoho	Necoho	April 22, 1946	23-7550908	Robert Dale Randall	Henry A. Freund	LeRoy Baird	Vernon Pogue, Jr.
47	Trinity	Hannibal	April 25, 1949	23-7550909	Roger McGregor	Michael D. Shulse	Jimmy Ray Latta	William F. Strode
48	Jeremiah	Webster Groves	April 24, 1950	23-7144151	Joseph F. Wiagert	James L. Imkai	John L. Erfurt, Jr.	Kevin E. Weaver
49	Independence	Independence	April 24, 1950	23-7550910	Scott S. Crawford	Matthew L. Quesenberry	David C. Witte	Emerson O. Brown
50	Liberty	Liberty	April 24, 1950	23-7550911	John W. Hess	Raymond L. Hoffman	Brian J. Densmore	Virgil L. Bailey
51	East Gate	Kansas City	April 24, 1950	23-7550912	Orville Newberry	Gerald V. Phillips	James C. Rodgers	Robert W. Brizendine
52	El Camino	Sikeston	April 28, 1959	23-7550913	James Evely	Richard Hamilton	Tracy Cambell	Jonathan D. Malloyed
53	Harmony	Bethany	April 19, 1974	23-7526812	Harold Julious McCellan	James Clifton Morgan	Gregory Vincent Sullivan	John E. Thruakill
56	Warrensburg	Warrensburg	May 9, 1990	43-1697678	Jack Timmons	Lee Winnie	Clark A. McLemore	Albert E. Folds
57	Warrensburg	Warrensburg	May 9, 1990	43-1697679	William R. Probst	Aaron D. Jones	Glenn E. Henness	Glen E. Henness
58	Bert S. Lee	Springfield	May 17, 2001					James A. Nunn

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No.	Council	Election of Officers	Stated Assemblies	Annual Return Received	02 Membership	Greeted	Admitted	Reinstated	Total Gains	Dimitted	SNPD	Other Suspensions	Expelled	Died	Total Losses	Remissions	Life Members	Total Year End Membership	Membership for Per Capitation	
1	Hiram	4th Wed in Oct	4th Wednesday	31-Jan-04	89	0	2	1	3	0	6	0	0	24	30	6	2	62	60	
9	St. Joseph	1st Wed in Dec	4th Wednesday	20-Jan-04	344	7	0	2	9	1	25	0	0	9	35	29	20	318	298	
20	Cape	1st Wed in Dec	1st Wednesday	23-Jan-04	86	1	0	1	2	0	0	3	0	4	7	6	1	81	80	
24	Shekinah	3rd Wed in June	3rd Wednesday	31-Jan-04	116	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	4	5	6	18	113	95	
25	Zabud	4th Mon in April	4th Monday	29-Jan-04	614	14	1	10	25	0	6	35	0	21	62	22	24	577	553	
27	Poplar Bluff	2nd Thurs in Nov	2nd Thursday	22-Jan-04	78	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	5	1	5	1	3	73	70
28	Chillicothe	4th Mon in Oct	4th Monday Quarterly	19-Feb-04	124	0	0	4	1	0	1	0	3	5	4	2	123	121	91	
30	Jasper	1st Tues in June	1st Tuesday	29-Apr-04	135	0	0	0	1	0	28	0	0	5	34	5	10	101	91	
32	Ezra	2nd Mon in April	2nd Monday	29-Jan-04	176	2	0	2	1	0	10	0	7	18	30	4	160	156	156	
34	Centralia	4th Mon in Nov	4th Monday	24-Feb-04	346	11	0	1	12	1	10	12	0	11	34	31	68	324	256	
35	Fidelity	3rd Thurs in Nov	3rd Thursday	28-Jan-04	57	0	0	3	3	0	0	2	0	1	3	7	0	57	57	
36	Josephus	2nd Tues in Dec	2nd Tuesday	28-Jan-04	50	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	0	1	8	7	0	42	42	
37	Trenton	3rd Thurs in Nov	3rd Thursday	19-Mar-04	124	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	6	10	13	2	114	112	
38	Westport	3rd Tues in Dec	3rd Tuesday	28-May-04	131	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	0	4	11	8	0	120	120	
39	Rolla	3rd Mon in March	3rd Monday	21-Jan-04	176	10	0	0	10	4	11	0	0	3	18	10	24	168	144	
40	York	4th Mon in March	4th Monday	29-Jan-04	93	3	0	6	9	4	2	6	0	2	14	5	8	88	80	
41	Carthage	3rd Thurs in Dec	3rd Thursday	31-Jan-04	136	2	0	2	4	1	0	4	0	3	8	21	0	132	132	
42	Sedalia	1st Thurs in Nov	1st Tuesday	30-Jan-04	93	0	0	6	6	0	4	5	0	12	21	7	3	78	75	
43	Bonne Terre	2nd Tues in Oct	2nd Tuesday	30-Jan-04	159	1	0	1	2	1	0	11	0	4	16	11	7	145	138	
44	Kirksville	2nd Thurs in Dec	2nd Thursday	27-Feb-04	428	1	0	1	2	2	1	12	0	12	27	22	8	403	395	
45	Kansas City	3rd Mon in May	3rd Monday	29-Feb-04	156	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	11	12	14	3	144	141	141	
46	Necosho	3rd Mon in April	3rd Monday	31-Jan-04	82	6	1	2	9	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	90	90	90	
47	Trinity	1st Thurs in Oct	1st Thursday	27-Apr-04	74	0	0	1	1	0	5	0	0	3	8	8	0	67	67	
48	Jeremiah	3rd Mon in March	3rd Monday	31-Jan-04	281	6	0	1	7	2	6	14	0	18	40	21	37	248	211	
49	Independence	4th Thurs in April	4th Thursday	28-Jan-04	291	8	1	1	10	2	3	13	0	7	25	11	23	276	253	
50	Liberty	3rd Mon in May	3rd Monday	1-Apr-04	280	4	0	3	7	0	1	0	11	12	7	20	275	255	255	
51	East Gate	3rd Thurs in June	3rd Thursday	31-Jan-04	146	0	0	0	0	3	7	0	0	5	15	8	1	131	130	
52	El Camino	3rd Mon in Dec	3rd Monday	31-Jan-04	72	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	72	
53	Harmony	3rd Tues in Dec	3rd Tuesday	31-Jan-04	34	2	0	0	2	0	1	2	0	1	4	0	0	32	32	
56	Lebanon	3rd Tues in April	3rd Tuesday	29-Jan-04	74	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	8	77	69	
57	Warrensburg	1st Mon in April	1st Monday	31-Jan-04	64	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	5	2	4	59	55	
58	Bert S. Lee	1st Thurs in May	1st Thursday	31-Jan-04	27	7	0	0	7	0	3	1	0	0	4	0	4	30	26	
	TOTAL				5136	91	6	46	143	34	99	169	0	197	499	325	304	4780	4476	

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No.	Council	Greeting Fees	Per Capita	02 Debits	Total Fees	Minus Remissions	02 Credits	Total Credits	Total Per Capita Owed	Late Fees	Total Owed	Paid	2nd Payment	Date 2nd Payment
1	Hiram	\$ -	\$ 321.00	\$ 4.30	\$ 325.30	\$ 32.10	\$ -	\$ 32.10	\$ 293.20	\$ -	\$ 293.20	\$ 321.00	\$ -	
9	St. Joseph	49.00	1,594.30	-	1,643.30	155.15	-	155.15	1,488.15	-	1,488.15	1,433.80	54.35	19-Feb-04
20	Cape	7.00	428.00	-	435.00	32.10	-	32.10	402.90	-	402.90	418.95	-	
24	Shekinah	7.00	508.25	-	515.25	32.10	-	32.10	483.15	-	483.15	402.90	80.25	14-Dec-04
25	Zabud	98.00	2,958.55	-	3,056.55	117.70	-	117.70	2,938.85	-	2,938.85	2,934.20	-	
27	Poplar Bluff	-	374.50	-	374.50	5.35	-	5.35	369.15	-	369.15	369.15	-	
28	Chillicothe	-	647.35	-	647.35	21.40	10.70	32.10	615.25	15.00	630.25	604.55	-	
30	Jasper	-	486.85	-	486.85	26.75	29.15	55.90	430.95	45.00	475.95	382.80	-	
32	Ezra	14.00	834.60	5.35	853.95	160.50	-	160.50	693.45	-	693.45	720.20	-	
34	Centralia	77.00	1,369.60	-	1,446.60	165.85	-	165.85	1,280.75	15.00	1,295.75	803.55	492.20	22-Mar-04
35	Fidelity	-	304.95	20.35	325.30	37.45	-	37.45	287.85	-	287.85	287.85	-	
36	Josephus	-	224.70	-	224.70	37.45	-	37.45	187.25	-	187.25	219.35	-	
37	Trenton	-	599.20	7.55	606.75	69.55	-	69.55	537.20	30.00	567.20	612.10	-	
38	Westport	-	642.00	-	642.00	42.80	5.35	48.15	593.85	-	593.85	708.00	-	
39	Rolla	70.00	770.40	-	840.40	53.50	-	53.50	786.90	-	786.90	786.90	-	
40	York	21.00	428.00	5.35	454.35	26.75	-	26.75	427.60	-	427.60	408.25	19.15	17-Nov-04
41	Carthage	14.00	706.20	-	720.20	112.35	5.35	117.70	602.50	-	602.50	618.55	-	
42	Scalia	-	401.25	284.00	685.25	37.45	-	37.45	647.80	-	647.80	390.55	-	
43	Bonne Terre	7.00	738.30	-	745.30	58.85	5.35	64.20	681.10	-	681.10	659.70	-	
44	Kirkville	7.00	2,113.25	110.25	2,230.50	117.70	-	117.70	2,112.80	15.00	2,127.80	1,886.45	241.35	17-Nov-04
45	Kansas City	-	754.35	15.13	769.48	74.90	-	74.90	694.58	15.00	709.58	721.33	-	
46	Neosho	42.00	481.50	-	523.50	10.70	-	10.70	512.80	-	512.80	512.80	-	
47	Trinity	-	358.45	15.00	373.45	42.80	-	42.80	330.65	45.00	375.65	381.00	-	
48	Jeremiah	42.00	1,128.85	-	1,170.85	112.35	-	112.35	1,058.50	-	1,058.50	1,074.25	-	
49	Independence	56.00	1,355.55	-	1,409.55	58.85	-	58.85	1,350.70	-	1,350.70	1,326.80	23.90	20-Oct-04
50	Liberty	28.00	1,364.25	145.70	1,537.95	37.45	-	37.45	1,500.50	30.00	1,530.50	1,365.50	165.00	12-May-04
51	East Gate	-	695.50	-	695.50	42.80	-	42.80	652.70	-	652.70	668.75	-	
52	El Camino	-	385.20	-	385.20	-	-	-	385.20	-	385.20	-	-	
53	Harmony	14.00	171.20	-	185.20	-	-	-	185.20	-	185.20	171.20	14.00	11-Sep-04
56	Lebanon	35.00	369.15	-	404.15	5.35	3.55	8.90	395.25	-	395.25	358.20	37.05	5-Oct-04
57	Warrensburg	-	294.25	-	294.25	10.70	-	10.70	283.55	-	283.55	283.55	-	
58	Bert S. Lee	49.00	139.10	5.35	193.45	-	-	-	193.45	-	193.45	175.00	18.45	7-Aug-03
	TOTAL	\$ 637.00	\$ 23,946.60	\$ 618.33	\$ 25,201.93	\$ 1,738.75	\$ 59.45	\$ 1,798.20	\$ 23,403.73	\$ 210.00	\$ 23,613.73	\$ 22,007.18	\$ 1,145.70	\$ 381,800.00

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No.	Council	Total All Payments	03 Credits	03 Debits	Cash on Hand 12/31	Real Estate & Investments	Paraphernalia	Uncollected Dues	Indebtedness	Annual Dues	Treasurer Bonded	Recorder Bonded	Total Value of Council	CMMR Donations	CEF Donations	Audited
1	Hiram	\$ 321.00	\$ 27.80		\$ 1,136.73	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 34.00	\$ -	17.00	Yes	Yes	\$ 2,670.73	\$ -	\$ -	Yes
9	St. Joseph	1,488.15		0.00	4,186.41	30,000.00	500.00	-	-	11.00	Yes	Yes	34,686.41	344.00	-	Yes
20	Cape	418.95	16.05		1,633.16	9,918.57	2,000.00	-	-	13.00	Yes	Yes	13,551.73	-	232.40	Yes
24	Shelknh	483.15			26,383.93	37,500.00	10,000.00	-	-	11.00			73,883.93	-	-	No
25	Zabod	2,934.20		4.65	4,106.89	-	-	-	-	11.00			4,106.89	-	-	No
27	Poplar Bluff	369.15			800.90	-	-	-	-	10.00	No	No	800.90	-	-	Yes
28	Chillicothe	604.55		25.70	974.01	-	-	-	-	15.00			974.01	-	-	No
30	Jasper	382.80		93.15	1,375.59	9,042.58	100.00	-	-	13.00			10,518.17	-	-	No
32	Ezra	720.20	26.75		4,461.92	9,767.63	3,900.00	-	-	13.00	No	No	18,129.55	-	-	No
34	Centralla	1,295.75			6,687.74	11,400.00	25,000.00	2,161.00	-	21.00	Yes	Yes	45,248.74	825.85	620.45	Yes
35	Fidelity	287.85			853.71	27,977.26	2,500.00	-	-	10.00			31,330.97	-	-	No
36	Josephus	219.35	32.10		826.30	-	-	-	-	12.00	No	No	826.30	-	-	Yes
37	Trenton	612.10	44.90		567.81	-	-	-	-	11.00	Yes	Yes	567.81	-	-	Yes
38	Westport	708.00	114.15		2,385.70	-	-	56.00	-	14.00			2,441.70	201.70	-	No
39	Rolla	786.90			1,996.76	16,650.04	4,500.00	1,632.00	-	16.00	No	No	24,778.80	100.20	65.70	Yes
40	York	427.40		0.20	966.60	648.10	-	-	-	18.50			1,614.70	25.00	124.65	No
41	Carthage	618.55	16.05		1,151.27	-	800.00	140.00	-	7.00			2,091.27	117.00	-	No
42	Sedalia	390.55		257.25	367.35	-	1,666.00	70.00	-	7.00	No	No	2,103.35	62.05	17.00	No
43	Bonne Terre	659.70		21.40	3,050.36	-	100.00	320.00	-	17.00	No	No	3,470.36	206.25	118.89	Yes
44	Kirksville	2,127.80			12,364.12	-	-	-	-	10.00			12,364.12	-	-	Yes
45	Kansas City	721.33	11.75		557.96	-	-	-	-	15.35			557.96	37.83	-	Yes
46	Neosho	512.80			1,451.86	-	-	-	-	9.35	No	No	1,451.86	45.68	-	No
47	Trinity	381.00	5.35		2,187.65	-	-	-	-	15.00			2,187.65	-	-	Yes
48	Jeremiah	1,074.25	15.75		3,472.68	3,000.00	7,500.00	-	-	18.50	No	No	13,972.68	-	393.75	Yes
49	Independence	1,530.70			3,167.50	15,003.56	-	-	-	10.35			18,171.06	150.00	65.00	No
50	Liberty	1,530.50			1,175.62	38,784.41	-	-	-	10.00	Yes	Yes	39,960.03	100.00	-	Yes
51	East Gate	668.75	16.05		2,384.26	7,000.00	-	-	-	9.35			9,384.26	-	-	Yes
52	El Camino	-		385.20	-	-	-	-	-	7.50			-	-	-	-
53	Harmony	185.20			1,058.66	-	500.00	-	-	14.00			1,558.66	-	50.00	No
56	Lebanon	395.25			1,460.59	3,312.97	250.00	70.00	-	10.00			5,093.56	-	-	Yes
57	Warrsburg	283.55			259.59	-	-	-	-	15.50	No	No	259.59	-	-	No
58	Bert S. Lee	193.45			620.02	-	400.00	-	-	11.00	No	No	1,020.02	-	-	Yes
	TOTAL	\$ 23,152.88	\$ 326.70	\$ 787.55	\$ 94,073.65	\$ 220,005.12	\$ 61,216.00	\$ 4,483.00	\$ -	\$ 403.40			\$ 379,777.77	\$ 2,215.56	\$ 1,687.84	

GRAND COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

The committee on the Grand Master's Address would like to congratulate and commend Most Illustrious Companion Gary A. Phillips on his address and his year of service as Grand Master.

The portion of his address dealing with edicts, dispensations, decisions, and by-law changes will be referred to the jurisprudence committee. His recommendations are referred to the incoming Grand Officers.

We find that Most Illustrious Companion Phillips has represented the Grand Council this past year, and throughout his years in the advancing line, with Dignity and Devotion to Cryptic Masonry in the face of some challenging health problems.

Again, congratulations Most Illustrious Companion Gary A. Phillips on a job well done, and may you continue your service to the craft for many years to come.

I move the acceptance of the address and this report, and that they are printed in the proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard J. Holmes, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: Your Committee on Credentials has examined the certificates filed with the Committee and begs to report the following:

Number of Chartered Councils represented – 28; Grand Officers – 13; Past Grand Masters – 14; Past Masters, not representatives – 53; Chairmen and members of committees – 45; Masters – 19 (6 proxies); Deputy Masters – 13 (4 proxies); Principal Conductors of the Work – 12 (2 proxies); Records – 12; Grand Representatives – 30; Regional Deputy Grand Masters – 6; Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers – 7.

Total number of Council Representatives without duplication – 133; Councils fully represented – 4; Councils partially represented – 24. The following Councils had no representation: No.'s 28, 35, 36, and 57.

Past Masters, Not Representatives: David C. Warburton (1), George M. Merkle (1), James M. Williams (9), Carroll E. Henson (9), Walter W. Doyle (25), Robert L. Schmidt (34), Marion W. Dey (34), James G. Wade (34), Russell S. Hanson (34), Calvin D. Schroff (34), Harley L. Kropf (34), Jacob C. Baird (35), Delbert R. Gentry (37), Harold C. Mace (39), Roy L. Gilkey (39), Kenneth D. Dingman (39), Columbus Craft (39), Thomas D. Martin (40), Nicholas F. Steinmetz (40), Loyd V. Wagner (41), Harold J. Richardson (43), Nelson G. Morgan (43), Richard E. Jump (43), Ronald D. Miller (44), Thomas C. Yunick (44), Danny D. Smothers (45), Earl W. Orr (47), Ronnie E. Green (48), William J. Neighbors (48), David R. Vogler (48), William B. Stephenson, Jr. (1,48), Robert E. Hardester (48), Lionel J. Goede (48), José R. Palacios (48), Joseph F. Wiegert (48), Emory J. Hampel (48), Ervin A. Drawing (48), Mark S. Schroer (49), Victor C. Walters, Jr. (49), Foster S. Crawford (49), Melvin J. Sanders (49), Glenn E. Means (49),

Ralph E. Nolan (49), Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr. (49), Ralph P. Bunnell (50), Robert W. Schlichter (50), Jerry F. Ward (50), William S. Hall (51), Roger Salyer (51), Forrest G. Lowe (51), Harold J. McClellan (56), Ronald E. Wood, Jr. (57), and Robert R. Anderson (58).

Grand Representatives to Missouri from other jurisdictions: Edgar F. Coonrod (Arizona), William Gordon Buckner (California), Richard J. Holmes (Connecticut), Jack R. Clark, Sr. (Eastern Canada), LeRoy D. Unruh (England), George R. Johnson (Florida), Marion W. Dey (France), Teddie E. Harrison (Germany), Emory J. Hampel (Greece), Nicholas F. Steinmetz (Illinois), Paul Tobias (Israel), Francis A. Latragna (Italy), Bob L. Detherow (Kentucky), Robert W. Schlichter (Louisiana), Daniel R. Quesenberry (Mississippi), Calvin D. Schroff (Montana), James G. Wade (Nebraska), Ronald E. Wood, Jr. (New Jersey), C. C. McLemore, III (North Carolina), Lester J. Brown (North Dakota), Stanton T. Brown (Ohio), Ralph P. Bunnell (Oklahoma), William R. Probst (Ontario Canada), José R. Palacios (Pennsylvania), William J. Bowser (Portugal), Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr. (Rhode Island), Kevin B. Sample (Tennessee), C. Richard Carter (Texas), Glenn E. Means (Vermont), Ted W. Harrison (Wisconsin), and Walter W. Doyle (Wyoming).

Grand Council Officers: Gary A. Phillips – Grand Master; Stanton T. Brown – Deputy Grand Master; Robert H. Bray – Grand Principal Conductor of the Work; Donald L. Trabue – Grand Treasurer; Kevin B. Sample – Grand Recorder; Albert H. Miller – Grand Captain of the Guard; Robert L. Wright – Grand Conductor of the Council; Edgar F. Coonrod – Grand Marshal; Jack D. Brown – Grand Steward; Eric R. Mattson – Grand Chaplain; Robert H. Bray – Grand Lecturer; Chris M. Jessen – Grand Organist; and Daniel R. Quesenberry – Grand Chorister.

Past Grand Masters: George R. Johnson, William G. Buckner, Jack R. Clark, Sr., Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr., William R. Probst, John V. Crampton, Paul K. Kawakami, E. Allen Kohler, C. Richard Carter, Bob L. Detherow, Teddie E. Harrison, William J. Bowser, Le Roy D. Unruh, and Richard J. Holmes.

Regional Deputy Grand Masters: John E. Thraikill, 2; Steven M. Anderson, 3A; Daniel R. Quesenberry, 3B; Lewis C. Odneal, 4; Steven C. Monrotus, 6; and Albert E. Folds, 7.

Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers: George L. Duncan, 2; John E. Schofield, 3A; Roy N. Thomas, 3B; James G. Wade, 4; Edgar F. Coonrod, 5; Arthur C. Highman, 6; and Christopher C. McLemore, III, 7.

Standing and Special Committees: ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER – Richard J. Holmes. AUDIT – William R. Probst, Chairman and Jack D. Brown. CREDENTIALS – Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman; Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.; and Phillip W. Engel. CHARITIES – Robert H. Bray, Chairman; Jack R. Clark, Sr.; and William J. Bowser. EDUCATION – William B. Stephenson, Jr.; Kevin E. Weaver; and Marion W. Dey. FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS – William R. Probst, Chairman; Jack D. Brown; Donald L. Trabue; and Kevin B. Sample. GOLF TOURNAMENT – William J. Bowser, Chairman. INTERNET & ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS – Kevin B. Sample. JURISPRUDENCE – Vern H. Schneider, Chairman; and Stanton T. Brown. LIFE MEMBERSHIP – Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr., Chairman; Emory J. Hampel; and Walter W. Doyle. MEMBERSHIP – Ervin A. Drewing, Chairman; Earl W. Orr; George M. Merkle; Harold J. Richardson; and Teddie E. Harrison. MERIT AWARD – Emory J. Hampel, Chairman; and Robert H. Bray. REPORTS OF GRAND OFFICERS – Gary A. Phillips. RETURNS OF COUNCILS – Stanton T. Brown. REVIEW – Kevin B. Sample.

RITUAL – Robert H. Bray, Chairman; Bob L. Detherow; Albert H. Miller; Jack D. Brown; and Kevin B. Sample. TIME AND PLACE – Stanton T. Brown. TRIENNIAL – William J. Bowser, Chairman; and Gary A. Phillips. YOUTH – Lionel J. Goede, Chairman; and Le Roy D. Unruh.

Respectfully submitted,

Phillip W. Engel

Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.

Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES (Credentials)

** (By proxy)*

NO.	COUNCIL	MASTER	DEP. MASTER	PRIN. COND. of WORK	RECORDER
1	Hiram	David H. Lewis	James G. Haddox		
9	St. Joseph	Carl Bryan			William W. Mier
20	Cape	* John V. Crampton			
24	Shekinah	Joseph L. Heilig		Brent Dorin Wilson	
25	Zabud			James H. Mercer	Robert G. Bird
27	Poplar Bluff	* Kevin B. Sample	* Chester Herrington		Bill A. Humble
28	Chillicothe				
30	Jasper	* Gary A. Phillips			Jack D. Brown
32	Ezra	Harold F. Coots	Andrew Wyatt	Larry Wyatt	Robert L. Hudson
34	Centralia	Larry D. Wyatt	Phillip W. Engel	Michael L. Wallis	Kevin B. Sample
35	Fidelity				
36	Josephus				
37	Trenton	Timothy D. Munday	Larry T. Odom		
38	Westport		* Jack R. Clark, Sr.		
39	Rolla	James Smallwood		George E. Ornsbey	Paul R. Cannon
40	York	* K. Trent Moreland			Theodore Buckwick
41	Carthage	Chris McLemore			
42	Sedalia	Roy Dean Dehaven	William E. Criss		
43	Bonne Terre	Paul B. Tobias	Arthur Carl Highman	James J. Hayes	Steven C. Monrotus
44	Kirksville		Richard L. Mansfield	* Thomas C. Yunick	
45	Kansas City				Steven M. Anderson
46	Neosho				Vernon Pogue, Jr.
47	Trinity			* Fred F. Stuecken	
48	Jeremiah		John L. Erfurdt, Jr.	Francis A. Latragna	Kevin E. Weaver
49	Independence	Scott S. Crawford		David Witte	
50	Liberty		* George R. Johnson	* Lester J. Brown	
51	East Gate		* Patrick Rendon	James C. Rodgers	
52	El Camino	* John E. Schofield			
53	Harmony				John E. Thraikill
56	Lebanon	James C. Morgan			Albert E. Folds
57	Warrensburg				
58	Bert S. Lee	Aaron D. Jones	Clark A. McLemore	C.C. McLemore, III	James A. Nunn

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: Your Committee on Jurisprudence respectfully reports as follows:

Dispensations and Permissions

We approved the Dispensations and Permissions pertaining to matters of Subordinate Councils on the basis of their being within the discretion of the Grand Master and consistent with Grand Council Law.

Edict

We approve the edict issued by the Grand Master with respect to the holding of joint assemblies.

Rulings on By-Law Changes

We approve the several rulings issued by the Grand Master with respect to proposed By Law changes by various Councils.

The foregoing report relates to action taken by the Grand Master to and including April 30, 2004. No other matters have been brought to the attention of the Committee since that date.

Fraternally Submitted,
John V. Crampton
Stanton T. Brown
Vern H. Schneider, Chairman

It was moved and seconded that this portion of the report, thru March 31, 2004, be approved.

Motion Approved, May 13, 2004

Proposed Legislation Laid Over from 2003

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article IV Grand Secretary, Section 20 part 4*, retirement plan, be repealed in its entirety.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To save the Grand Council money and convert the money from the present retirement fund to the general fund and be used to prevent future per capita increase. The Secretary's job is a supplemental job, not a job from which he can retire.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter W. Doyle, PIM, Bert S. Lee Council No. 58

James A. Nunn, PIM, Bert S. Lee Council No. 58

William R. Probst, PIM, Zabud Council No. 25

C.C. McLemore, III, PIM, Carthage Council No. 41

According to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Council as revised in 2000 the booklet prepared by and attested to by the Grand Recorder at that time confirms that Part 4 of Section 20 of Article IV of the By-Laws was deleted pursuant to action of the Grand Council May 2, 1997. (See page 9 of the said Constitution and By-Laws as revised in 2000.)

Proposed Amendment Ruled Out of Order, May 13, 2004

Proposed Legislation to Laid Over from 2003

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Article XVI, Life Membership, Section 135, of the by-laws of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri, be amended as follows:

1. By striking paragraph 2 and inserting a new paragraph.

Paragraph 2 currently states: Any member may purchase a life membership using the following method of computing the fee. Divide his council dues by 5% which will be the cost of a life membership if purchased between January 1 and June 30, if purchased after June 30, add one year's dues.

New paragraph 2 would state: Any member may purchase a life membership by computing the fee as 20 times the member's Council dues at time of purchase of said life membership, provided that no life membership fee shall be less than \$300.00.

2. By striking paragraph 12 and inserting a new paragraph.

Paragraph 12 currently states: The Grand Recorder shall annually remit to the recorders of participating constituent Councils their prorated portion of the earnings of the Life Membership Fund. The per capita tax charged to a Council on one of its member's participation in the Life Membership Program shall be that as existed at the time the individual entered the Life Membership Program. It will be the responsibility of the Constituent Council to pay the per capita tax for each Life Member. When a Life Member dies, his council will continue to receive his prorated earnings, less 10% which will be added to the Funds principal to provide for growth in the Fund.

New paragraph 12 would state: The Grand Recorder shall annually remit to the recorders of participating constituent Councils their prorated portion of the earnings of the Life Membership Fund minus per capita. This is provided that no earnings shall be distributed on any Life Membership until January 1 of the second (2nd) calendar year after such fee, paid in full, is deposited with the Grand Recorder. When a Life Member dies, the Grand Council will continue to receive his per capita, less 20% and his council will continue to receive his prorated earnings, less 20%. The retained 20% will be added to the Funds principal to provide for growth in the Fund. Prorated earnings shall be

based on the members' council dues that existed at the time the individual entered the Life Membership Program. Per capita shall be the per capita that existed at the time the individual entered the Life Membership Program.

3. By deleting paragraph 15 in its entirety.

Paragraph 15 currently states: The Governing Body of the Life Membership Program shall be empowered to establish a minimum fee for life membership. However, no minimum fee shall be less than \$125.00. The fees shall be reviewed annually by the governing body of the Life Membership Program and a report made to the Annual Assembly. If found necessary to change the fee, it will be proposed in writing and submitted in accordance with Article XV: Amendments.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: It is our understanding that the purpose of having a member pay an additional year's dues, who purchased a Life Membership after June 30, was due to the fact that the Grand Council could not generate a return on that Life Membership in less than six months time. Therefore, the additional year's dues should not have been part of the endowment, but used as a part of the earnings for distribution for that year. However, due to the wording of the existing by-law, the additional year's dues were deposited as part of the principal of the fund. This has not been all bad as it has allowed the fund to grow, but in turn has caused unnecessary paperwork, confusion and concern with many Recorders of the constituent Councils.

Currently, the fund must achieve annual earnings in excess of 5%, in order to provide for a 100% distribution. By establishing a minimum of one (1) year for the earnings from any new Life Membership investment (participant), it allows that investment to have earnings for at least a full year.

The principal of the fund must grow, in order to provide for greater earnings. The return of 20% of a deceased members earnings to the principal of the fund will allow the fund to grow, without greatly hampering the Grand Council and constituent Councils. It is not in the best interest of the Council Recorders and the Grand Recorder's office to require Councils to pay per capita on their Life Members and then receive a return from the Grand Council of that per capita. The Grand Council can simply transfer its share (per capita on Life Members) to the General Fund and return the remainder of the earnings of that fund to the Councils, saving much time in the transfer of paperwork and money. Stated simply, the Councils should not be required to pay per capita on their Life Members; that is the designated purpose of the Life Membership Fund from a Grand Council perspective.

The necessary items in paragraph 15 are adequately covered elsewhere in this section and need not be duplicated.

By establishing an increased minimum participation fee, doing away with the additional year's dues, and eliminating unnecessary paperwork, the fund can grow, be less confusing for the Councils, and ease the management of the fund by the Grand Council.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr. PIM, Rolla Council No. 39
Kevin B. Sample, PIM, Poplar Bluff Council No. 27
Donald L. Trabue, PIM, Ezra Council No. 32

With respect to the proposal as to Paragraph 2 in Section 135 the Jurisprudence Committee recognizes the potential questions in the event that a member holds dual or plural memberships involving two or more Missouri Councils or perhaps one Missouri Council and a Council in another State. In order to avoid unnecessary controversy in any such situation the Jurisprudence Committee recommends that the dues of the member's "original" Council should be used in computing the life membership fee. Thus, in the interest of clarity the Jurisprudence Committee offers a substitute proposal the following language:

Substitute Motion for New Paragraph 2: Any member may purchase a life membership by computing the fee as 20 times the member's Council dues at the time of purchase of said life membership, provided that if a member shall hold Dual or Plural membership and if his "original" membership is under the Grand Council of Missouri, the dues of that Council shall be applicable in computing the amount of the life membership fee, and provided further that no life membership fee shall be less than \$300.00. For the purposes of this paragraph, no membership dues assessed by a subordinate council under the jurisdiction of any other Grand Council shall be considered.

Substitute Motion for New Paragraph 2 Passed, May 13, 2004

With respect to the proposed amendment of Paragraph 12 of Section 135 of Article XVI, it is the judgment of the Jurisprudence Committee that as to any existing life membership the proposal violates the basic fiduciary standards in that it would substantially change the handling of life membership funds following the death of a life member. To put it another way, the proposal would violate basic rules in advertising. Furthermore, even if the proposal was to be considered only for the purpose of applying its provisions to future life memberships it is the judgment of the Jurisprudence Committee that the proposal is not consistent with other existing by laws. For example, it introduces a new concept in that it refers to per capita after death. Among other provisions affected by it would be Paragraph 21 (3), which refers to a per capita tax applicable to all members on the rolls of the Council as of December 31 of each year. The latter clause refers to living members.

Presumably, the proposed change of Paragraph 12 would require Recorders to keep two sets of books, one for living members, and one for dead members.

In short, it is the judgment of the Jurisprudence Committee that the said proposal not only substantially modifies the handling of funds derived from existing life memberships but also it would be inconsistent with existing by laws if the proposal was adopted to apply to future life memberships. Accordingly, it is the judgment of the Jurisprudence Committee that the said proposal is out of order and is not in condition to be considered by this Grand Council.

Proposed Amendment with regard to Paragraph 12 Ruled Out of Order, May 13, 2004

With respect to the proposed deletion of Paragraph 15, if the proposed amendment providing for Paragraph 2 of Section 135 is adopted, the Jurisprudence Committee has no objection to the deletion of Paragraph 15.

Proposed Amendment with regard to Paragraph 15 Passed, May 13, 2004

Proposed Legislation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Section 132 of Article XV* be deleted and a new *Section 132* be added.

SECTION 132 CURRENTLY READS: *Amendments, Procedure.* Any additional section not conflicting with these By-Laws, or any proposition to repeal or alter any of the foregoing By-Laws, shall be presented in writing at an Annual Assembly, and, if adopted by a two-thirds vote, shall become a part of these By-Laws.

NEW SECTION 132 WOULD READ: *Amendments, Procedure.* Any additional section not conflicting with these by-laws, or any proposition to repeal or alter any of the foregoing by-laws, shall be presented in writing and submitted to the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee and Grand Recorder not later than 30 days prior to the Grand Assembly at which it is to be proposed, and, if adopted by a majority vote, shall become part of these by-laws. Any proposal not meeting this timely submission shall be read at the Annual Assembly and lay over to the next Annual Assembly.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: As was outlined last year in the Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery, it is in appropriate that the Jurisprudence Committee should be expected to review and prepare legislation coming before a Grand Assembly when its first knowledge of its existence is on the very day it is to be proposed. The Jurisprudence Committee must have time to review and analyze the content of a proposal to assure accuracy, proper format, and to assure the Grand Council line officers that it does not conflict with existing by-laws. Finally, any proposal meeting the new guidelines may be adopted by a majority vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanton T. Brown, PIM, Independence Council No. 49

Kevin B. Sample, PIM, Poplar Bluff Council No. 27

Proposed Amendment Passed by 2/3 Majority Vote, May 13, 2004

Proposed Legislation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article III. Sec. 17* be amended by adding a new subsection, paragraph (8) as follows:

(8) Investments. The Grand Treasurer, Grand Recorder, and Chairman of the Committee on Finance are authorized, for and in behalf of this Grand Council, and in the name of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri, to invest any surplus funds of the Grand Council in an amount not less than one-half of all investments in obligations of the United States, or in the securities or accounts fully insured or guaranteed by the United States or an agency of the United States, except for those received by gift or bequest which may be retained in kind. The remainder may be invested in common stock or equal securities in nationally known corporations traded on the New York Stock Exchange, and rated "A": or better by Standard and Poore's or Moody's or by some equally well recognized investment rating service.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: In order that we may be able to earn more interest income and be therefore able to reduce the need for future per capita increases.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanton T. Brown, PIM, Independence Council No. 49

William R. Probst, PIM, Zabud Council No. 25

Kevin B. Sample, PIM, Poplar Bluff Council No. 27

Donald L. Trabue, PIM, Ezra Council No. 32

Substitute Motion for Amendment of Article III. Sec. 17: (8) Investments. *The Grand Treasurer, Grand Recorder, and Chairman of the Committee on Finance are authorized for and in behalf of the Grand Council and in the name of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri to invest any surplus funds of the Grand Council from time to time in an amount or amounts which shall consist of not less than one-half (1/2) of the market value of any such investment in general obligation bonds, notes or other instruments issued by the Government of the United States of America or in bonds, notes or other securities or accounts fully insured or guaranteed by the Government of the United States of America or in bonds, notes or other instruments issued by an agency or agencies of the United States Government, except for those received by gift or bequest, which may be retained in kind. The remainder may be invested in accordance with prudent investor standards then applicable to trustees when investing and managing trust funds under the laws of the State of Missouri in common stock, preferred stock or convertible preferred stock issued by nationally known corporations traded on the New York Stock Exchange, and in fixed income securities which shall be rated "A" or better by either Standard and Poor's or Moody rating services or by some equally well recognized investment rating service.*

Substitute Motion Passed by 2/3 Majority Vote, May 13, 2004

Proposed Standing Resolution

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

WHEREAS, The Grand Council of Missouri is desirous of establishing and maintaining Fraternal Relations with legitimate Cryptic Masons around the world,

AND WHEREAS, the Grand Council of Missouri is a sovereign Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, and maintains the practice of exchanging Grand Representatives with other Grand Councils,

AND WHEREAS, the Grand Council of Missouri acknowledges the formation and existence of the Supreme Grand Council of Romania,

AND WHEREAS, the Supreme Grand Council of Romania is recognized by the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International as a legitimate and regular Grand Council of Cryptic Masons,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grand Council of Missouri approves formal Fraternal Recognition of the Supreme Grand Council of Romania,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Grand Council of Missouri be authorized to exchange Grand Representatives with the Grand Council of Romania in the furtherance of Fraternal Recognition.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin B. Sample, PIM, Poplar Bluff Council No. 27

Proposed Standing Resolution Passed, May 13, 2004

Proposed Legislation to Lay Over to 2005

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article I, Sec. 5. Of Whom Composed, paragraph (2)* of the Constitution of the Grand Council of the State of Missouri be Amended as follows: By changing the words “Work, for” to “Work, Recorders, for”

THIS SECTION OF THE CONSTITUTION CURRENTLY READS: The Masters, Deputy Masters, Principal Conductors of the Work, for the time being, of subordinate councils in its jurisdiction, and of all Past Masters of such subordinates, so long as they remain members of Councils, in this jurisdiction; provided that a Past Master of another jurisdiction, who shall have affiliated with a Council under the jurisdiction of this Grand Council may become a member of the Grand Council by a majority vote at any Annual Assembly.

IF ADOPTED, THIS SECTION WOULD READ: The Masters, Deputy Masters, Principal Conductors of the Work, Recorders, for the time being, of subordinate councils in its jurisdiction, and of all Past Masters of such subordinates, so long as they remain members of Councils, in this jurisdiction; provided that a Past Master of another jurisdiction, who shall have affiliated with a Council under the jurisdiction of this Grand Council may become a member of the Grand Council by a majority vote at any Annual Assembly.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The office of Recorder is an integral part of each subordinate Council and at times the only representative at the Annual Assembly. This very important officer is not currently entitled to vote unless he is a Past Master of a subordinate Council. Some Recorders are NOT Past Masters even though they maintain the most significant responsibilities of the Council; that officer should be entitled to vote as such.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin B. Sample, PIM, Poplar Bluff Council No. 27

Proposed Legislation to Lay Over to 2005

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article I, Section 1. Assemblies* of the By-laws of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons be amended by striking all after “Grand Council” and substituting the following in lieu thereof, “will be held in the same place as the annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, commencing at 10 o'clock a.m. of the day preceding the meeting of the Grand Chapter. Provided, however, that whenever the majority of the three highest officers of the Grand Council shall in their discretion determine that the business of the Grand Council may be such that the annual assembly should convene at some other or different hour than 10 o'clock a.m., the Grand Master shall be authorized to fix the hour of opening of such annual assembly, giving the

subordinate councils sufficient notice of such a change to enable all representatives to be present at the opening of the assembly. The location shall be determined by a Committee on Time and Place that shall consist of the Grand King of the Grand Chapter of Missouri, the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of Missouri, and the Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. If the Committee cannot come to a unanimous decision a General Session of the Grand York Rite will be called on the Friday preceding the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m. during the Grand York Rite Session and the matter will be voted on by all voting members of all three Grand York Rite Bodies. The proposal receiving the most votes will be binding on all three Grand York Rite Bodies. Thus the Grand York Rite Session shall be held on the third Saturday in May along with the preceding Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Wednesday shall be Grand Council Day, Thursday shall be Grand Chapter Day, Friday shall be Grand York Rite Day and Saturday shall be Grand Commandery Day. The Grand York Rite Day shall be used for unfinished business of the other days, meetings of appendant or honor bodies, drill competition, joint sessions, and any other business that the three Presiding Officers shall agree upon."

ARTICLE I SEC. 1. ASSEMBLIES OF THE GRAND COUNCIL CURRENTLY READS: The annual assembly of this Grand Council **may** be held in the same place as the annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, commencing at 10 o'clock a.m. of the day preceding, or the day following the meeting of the Grand Chapter, as may be mutually agreed upon by the presiding officers of the two bodies; provided, however, that whenever the majority of the three highest officers of the Grand Council shall be in their discretion determine that the business of the Grand Council may be such that the annual assembly should convene at some other or different hour than 10 o'clock a.m., the Grand Master shall be authorized to fix the hour of opening of such annual assembly, giving the subordinate councils sufficient notice of such a change to enable all representatives to be present at the opening of the assembly.

AS AMENDED ARTICLE I SEC. 1. ASSEMBLIES OF THE GRAND COUNCIL WOULD READ: The annual assembly of this Grand Council will be held in the same place as the annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, commencing at 10 o'clock a.m. of the day preceding the meeting of the Grand Chapter. Provided, however, that whenever the majority of the three highest officers of the Grand Council shall in their discretion determine that the business of the Grand Council may be such that the annual assembly should convene at some other or different hour than 10 o'clock a.m., the Grand Master shall be authorized to fix the hour of opening of such annual assembly, giving the subordinate councils sufficient notice of such a change to enable all representatives to be present at the opening of the assembly. The location shall be determined by a Committee on Time and Place that shall consist of the Grand King of the Grand Chapter of Missouri, the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of Missouri, and the Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. If the Committee cannot come to a unanimous decision a General Session of the Grand York Rite will be called on the Friday preceding the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m. during the Grand York Rite Session and the matter will be voted on by all voting members of all three Grand York Rite Bodies. The proposal receiving the most votes will be binding on all three York Rite Bodies. Thus, the Grand York Rite Session shall be held on the third Saturday in May along with the preceding Wednesday, Thursday, and

Friday. Wednesday shall be Grand Council Day, Thursday shall be Grand Chapter Day, Friday shall be Grand York Rite Day and Saturday shall be Grand Commandery Day. The Grand York Rite Day shall be used for unfinished business of the other days, meetings of appendant or honor bodies, drill competition, joint sessions, and any other business that the three Presiding Officers shall agree upon.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To promote York Rite Unity, to provide for a means of appointment and function of Joint Committees of the Grand York Rite. This would also relieve the time constraints placed on all of the Grand York Rite Bodies during their annual meetings. Finally, to avoid the possibility of extra expense that would be incurred should the Grand York Rite Bodies have separate sessions at separate times and locations. This amendment should not become effective until and if all three York Rite Grand Bodies have passed similar legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert W. Vanderpool, PIM, East Gate Council No. 51

George R. Johnson, PIM, Liberty Council No. 50

Paul K. Kawakami, PIM, Westport Council No. 38

William S. Hall, PIM, East Gate Council No. 51

James C. Rodgers, PIM, East Gate Council No. 51

Chester H. Hazen, PIM, East Gate Council No. 51

Forrest G. Lowe, PIM, East Gate Council No. 51

Orville E. Newberry, PIM, East Gate Council No. 51

Gerald V. Phillips, PIM, East Gate Council No. 51

Robert W. Brizendine, PIM, East Gate Council No. 51

Proposed Legislation to Lay Over to 2005

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: an additional subparagraph of *Section 21* of the Grand Council By-Laws be added, to wit:

All Councils of the Grand Council shall pay two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per capita on all remitted members.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: As cost of maintaining membership records continue to increase, we must have recovery of some of the costs.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Vincent Kinkead, PIM, Bonne Terre Council No. 43

Paul B. Tobias, PIM, Bonne Terre Council No. 43

Harold J. Richardson, PIM, Bonne Terre Council No. 43

Regarding the difference in the by-laws of the Grand Council as approved in 1997 and those of the Jurisprudence Committee, the Grand Master ordered that a Committee develop a document of by-laws that we are currently acting under to be presented at the May 2005 Annual Assembly.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

The proposed budget herein listed reflects estimated Income and Expenses for the year 2004-2005:

Income

Per Capita, 3750 @ \$5.35	\$ 20,062.50
Per Capita, Life Membership	1,200.00
Greeting Fees, 75 @ \$7.00	525.00
Interest Income	1,200.00
Miscellaneous	0.00
Balance	\$ 22,987.50

Expenses

Grand Master's Expense	\$ 2,500.00
Grand Treasurer	400.00
Grand Recorder	4,000.00
Administrative Assistant	4,000.00
Employment Taxes	652.00
Past Grand Master Jewel	250.00
Grand Officer Conference	350.00
General Grand Council Per Capita	1,600.00
Annual Assembly	1,500.00
Royal Arch Mason Magazine	1,800.00
Postage	850.00
Office Expenses	1,500.00
Office Equipment	1,200.00
Office Rent and Utilities	1,800.00
Printing of Proceedings	2,100.00
Storage Rental	720.00
Triennial Fund	288.00
Promotion & Education	100.00
Editor, Royal Arch Mason Magazine	50.00
Auditor	200.00
Insurance	300.00
Capital Asset Fund	300.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
Total	\$ 26,710.00
Balance	\$ (3,722.50)

Fraternally submitted,

Kirk McDaniel, Jr.

Donald L. Trabue

William R. Probst, Chairman

Jack D. Brown

Kevin B. Sample

Proposed Budget Passed, May 13, 2004

GRAND COUNCIL SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**REPORT OF THE SPECIAL AUDIT COMMITTEE**

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

On behalf of the Audit Committee for the year 2002-2003, we have met with the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder and find their books in order. All accounts balanced with the appropriate bank statements.

I submit this report and move that this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

The Committee thanks the Grand Master for our appointment to the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack D. Brown

Kirk McDaniel

William R. Probst, Chairman

Reported Adopted May 13, 2004

REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

On December 20, 2003, William R. Probst, Chairman, and Kirk McDaniel, Jr., member, met with the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder to audit the records of the Grand Council.

After going over the records of the Grand Council for several hours and discussing all records with the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder, the Committee found the records to be in order but by having two accounting programs, one in the Grand Treasurer's home and one in our Grand Council office, there had been some confusion.

The Audit Committee recommended that the financial records should be kept on our Grand York Rite computer server and that the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer should be the only persons with "write" permission on that computer and that the Grand Master and the members of the Finance Committee and the Audit Committee should have "Read Only" access to all accounting programs with password permission.

Having the one accounting program with password protection on our main server would save the confusion that sometimes occurs by using the two programs on separate computers and allow access to the above referenced officers and committee members at any time.

We recommend that this change should take place beginning with the start of our next fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirk McDaniel, Jr.

William R. Probst, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS OF COUNCILS

Companions your committee on Returns of Councils has examined the returns of the Missouri Councils with the following results. (Note – at the time of this report, four Councils have not reported; they are Jasper Council No. 30, Westport Council No. 38, Trinity Council No. 47, and El Camino Council No. 52.)

Total Membership December 2002		5087
Number of Councils	32	
Greeted	80	
Admitted	2	
Reinstated	42	
Total Gain		124
Demitted	31	
Suspended NPD	181	
Suspended other	76	
Died	146	
Total Losses		434
Total Membership December 2003		4777

Three Councils have had no change in membership. Three Councils have shown a slight gain. All other Councils have lost from one through as many as 74. These reports are important and we thank you who have worked to see that the reports are reported in a timely manner.

Respectfully submitted,
Stanton T. Brown, Chairman

REPORT OF GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON CHARITY, MISSOURI REPRESENTATIVE

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: For the period May 1, 2003 through March 31, 2004 the amount that Missouri contributed to the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation was \$2,655.83. Currently, Missouri ranks nineteenth in contributions with respect to other jurisdictions and seventeenth since the inception of the program. Our grand total to date is \$53,570.22.

Congratulations go to Centralia Council No. 34 for earning an Extender Bar for 2003 and Sedalia Council No. 42 for earning an Extender Bar for 2004. These Extender Bars are in recognition of their contributions of \$1,000.00.

When submitting contributions to the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation, Records should note whether this amount was collected from each member of the Council. This is the only way that the foundation Secretary has of knowing to award a Council a 100% Certificate. For this period, no such certificates have been issued.

Councils that are close to being awarded an Extender Bar are:

St. Joseph Council No. 9	\$5,810.00
Rolla Council No. 39	\$1,705.00
Liberty Council No. 50	\$1,780.00

York Council No. 40 is close to being awarded a triangular plaque having contributed \$773.00 to date.

One hundred dollars has been received for ten George Washington medallions.

Respectfully submitted,
William Gordon Buckner, Chairman

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON CHARITY, MISSOURI REPRESENTATIVE

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: Joseph J. Vale, Right Puissant General Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, has made available for \$10.00 apiece and Official Solid Bronze Commemorative Medallion. The proceeds will go towards the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation.

Please sign your name, address, and Council number on the yellow pad and place your money in the bag.

Respectfully submitted,
William Gordon Buckner, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARITIES AND GRAND COUNCIL CHARITY ENDOWMENT FUND

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: Your Committee on the Grand Council Charity Endowment Fund is pleased to report the balance of the fund in the hands of the Grand Treasurer as of March 31, 2004 is \$71,907.21. As of May 1 of 2003, the balance in the fund was \$64,484.18.

The following individuals and subordinate councils made gifts to the fund since March 31, 2003:

Paul K. Kawakami	\$ 200.00
Sedalia Council No. 42	62.05
Calendar Sales	4,000.00
William R. Probst	100.00
Harry S. Truman York Rite College	250.00
Rolla Council No. 39	116.80
Jeremiah Council No. 48	25.00
Centralia Council No. 34	1,000.00
Bethany Council No. 53	50.00
Independence Council No. 49	65.00
York Council No. 40	229.95

Kansas City Council No. 45	30.00
York Rite Golf Tournament	474.54
Frederick H. Neal	100.00
Jeremiah Council No. 48	460.00
York Council No. 40	50.00
Harry S. Truman York Rite College	25.00
Liberty Council No. 50	100.00
Paul K. Kawakami (Treece memorial)	50.00
Richard J. Holmes	100.00
James M. Williams	100.00
William E. Brenneman	20.00

We sincerely thank and acknowledge all the individual companions, subordinate councils, and friends for their generous gifts which help this fund to continually grow.

The Charity Endowment Fund Calendar Project continues to be the single most important method of fund-raising for the Charity Endowment Fund.

Here is a historical record of the fund's balances:

1994	\$ 3,810.00	2000	29,125.37
1995	5,079.09	2001	50,547.96
1996	7,738.79	2002	55,828.56
1997	10,008.43	2003	64,484.18
1998	17,070.79	2004	71,907.21
1999	22,984.36		

For the year 2004-2005, the Calendar Project is continuing, as is the "Penny-A-Day" method of fundraising from companions of the Councils of Royal and Select Masters. Recorders are asked to request the \$3.65 from each member at the time the annual dues statement is mailed. Brochures about the Charity Endowment Fund are available from the Grand Recorder's Office for use in mailings to council members.

We commend Most Illustrious Companion Gary A. Phillips for his gifts this year to the Order of DeMolay, \$600.00; Order of Rainbow for Girls, \$600.00; and Jobs Daughters, \$600.00. These gifts came from earned Endowment Fund Income and not from the budget of the Grand Council.

The continued support of every Cryptic Mason is earnestly solicited in the purchase of a Charity Endowment Fund Calendar and an annual gift of \$3.65 for the Endowment Fund. The fund also welcomes memorial gifts and gifts in honor of individuals.

"CHARITY LIES AT THE FOUNDATION OF FREEMASONRY"

Fraternally submitted,
Lawrence R. Albright II, PGM
William J. Bowser, PGM
Jack R. Clark, Sr., PGM
Robert H. Bray, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Missouri:

Companions, your Committee on Education has been showing the movie, “The Holy Royal Arch”, which we feel is the beginning step to becoming a “York Rite Mason” and thereby a member of a Council!

Illustrious Companion Ervin Drawing and your Chairman have contacted several Lodges in the Greater St. Louis Area for these showings and the response has been favorable! Several petitions have resulted.

We have attempted to obtain other films, tapes or other information, other than the “LADDER” of York Rite Masonry, which has been passed – out at our Grand Lodge last September.

The GRAND COUNCIL MERIT AWARD requirements need to be explained by a member of this Committee and the R.D.G.M. as soon after election as possible. An open installation is requirement #1, and a great way to begin the year! Attendance at Grand Council by the Illustrious Master and either the Deputy Master or the P.C.W. is the next requirement and one which all Councils should aspire to achieve! They are voting members and ARE the GRAND COUNCIL!

Working without the aid of ritual books to open and close and receiving guests should also be an aim or goal! Your R.D.G. Lecturer is ready to help you and conduct a Ritual School in your Council at a meeting. And, Charity lies at the feet of our Fraternity, so contributing to CMMRF, and the Charity Endowment Fund should come naturally.

Our Grand Master of Masons of the State of Missouri has invited members of the York Rite bodies to attend the several Area Meetings held throughout the state and members of this Committee have done so at every opportunity. Our Grand Commander has attended every meeting and is commended for his outstanding effort!

Perhaps other avenues can be attempted this next year. There are other pamphlets available and we will pursue them. It is the suggestion of your Committee that these films and pamphlets be used in ALL areas of our State!

We request that our Grand Recorder make available to all members of this Committee and the Regional Deputies such pamphlets and film or tapes which are available from the General Grand Council!

Respectfully submitted,
 Marion W. Dey
 Kevin B. Sample
 William B. Stephenson, Jr., Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AND WEB MASTER

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions, it has been quite some time since a report was filed by this committee. Missouri York Rite has definitely moved into the electronic communications age with the advent of email and the World Wide Web. I understand that the new terminology for

“w.w.w” is now “dubba, dubba, dubba” in an effort to even shorten the pronunciation of letter “w”. When, one thinks, will it ever end?

The ever increasing proliferation of technology causes me wonder how, less than 100 years ago (and some of you in the room well remember,) people dealt with the changing technology; what it was like when the first car rolled down the street, when the gas lights were changed to electric, when tape and ferrite core memory and shift registers changed into these little black boxes setting on almost 65% of desks in U.S. homes. Yes, that was a heck of a jump, but I was not around when you still hitched your horse to the courthouse post.

The Grand York Rite of Missouri also jumped on the web and as many as 6 or 7 years ago and starting using email. The grand officers, committee members, and more importantly the jurisprudence committee knows the value of these instant communications. It is nice to be able to get a request for information, forward it to the appropriate knowledge base, and get a response back to the individual in question in a matter of minutes. It also helps to serve as a time-line of activities when filed accordingly.

The only draw back to all this technology is that we may be loosing our ability to interact with people in groups—it is much easier to write, even words that hurt, and push the send button before we think. Even though I love all this technology, it is important for us to sometimes pick up the phone and call someone, or write a letter by hand, (even though I cannot even read my own writing these days.)

Technology can never replace the companionship and relationships we have with each other in our meetings. Each has its proper sphere and each should be respected.

In the last few years, we have made available on our web site all of the most used forms and documents needed in the day-to-day activities of the Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies. Many of our Secretaries and Recorders, and even the membership, use these forms regularly. You do not have to wait for the forms to be distributed the old-fashioned way. Although not everyone has access, someone in your organization surely does and can be tasked to help with the retrieval of those documents.

There has been much discussed with the evolution of the annual return. Before we go there, some serious thought needs to be given as to what is needed, how soon it is needed, and how it can be accomplished. About 90% of this year’s committee reports have been distributed via email. There are still problems with software applications and some of our user’s ability to type. However, we have made progress in spite of ourselves.

I am looking forward to the rollout of the new web site by our web master Aaron Shoemaker. Although his report is not available, I can assure you that the Grand York Rite of Missouri will be proud of the completion of this long awaited project. Companion Shoemaker and his colleagues are about to deliver a service that would have cost a private company thousands of dollars, if not over twenty thousand. In order to do things right, they must be tried and proven; please give us the time to make this one right, it will be with us for a long time.

Finally, if anyone has suggestions for things that need to be available in our on-line document library or in the automation of documents, please share your thoughts with us.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LIFE MEMBERSHIP

No report submitted.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES ISSUED

Certificate No.	Companion	Council	Greeted	Certificate Issued
377	Baker, Charles Henry	34	14-Apr-73	19-Nov-03
378	Walters, Jr., Victor Cuthbert	49	05-May-78	22-Dec-03
379	Epstein, Christopher Ryan	48	16-Sep-96	05-Jan-04
380	Calvin, Eldon Hartley	34	19-Mar-94	26-Jan-02

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

The Membership Committee is working, visiting symbolic Lodges, presenting the York Rite film *The Holy Royal Arch*. The program was well received; the brethren and their ladies were interested in the information we presented. Unfortunately, all good things come to an end, the film of *The Holy Royal Arch* is no longer usable, the film was a great tool to promote York Rite Masonry.

The General Grand Chapter has been contacted to replace or repair the film. The reply from the General Grand Chapter was the sixteen-millimeter film is no longer in existence.

The Membership Committee at this time is requesting for anyone with knowledge of a replacement film or how to purchase one to contact the Grand Secretary/Recorder.

Fraternally submitted,
Ervin A. Drawing, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND COUNCIL MERIT AWARD

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

The Grand Council Merit Award Committee is happy to report that seven Councils have applied for and qualified for the Grand Council Merit Award. The following Councils are to be congratulated on their success in meeting the requirements of the award:

Council	Illustrious Master	Location
Hiram Council No. 1	Norman G. Schlagenhauf	St. Louis
Centralia Council No. 34	Phillip W. Engel	Columbia
York Council No. 40	K. Trent Moreland	St. Charles
Jeremiah Council No. 48	Joseph F. Wiegert	Webster Groves
Independence Council No. 49	Scott S. Crawford	Independence
Liberty Council No. 50	John W. Hess	Liberty
Lebanon Council No. 56	Harold J. McClellan	Lebanon

These results reflect that much effort was expended to meet the requirements for this award and it is hoped that more Councils will set their goals to include this endeavor; the benefits will become obvious in the results of the year of service. A special "Thank You" is due to the Regional Deputy Grand Masters who have encouraged participation in the Merit Award.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert H. Bray
Emory J. Hampel, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUAL

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: The committee held its fourth annual Grand Council Ritual School on August 23, 2003 in the assembly room of Jefferson City Masonic Temple Masonic Temple. The event was attended by companions of the subordinate councils and the Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers who exemplified the ritual of opening and closing of a Council, balloting and reception of guests. The Super Excellent Master Degree was presented and discussed. The next school is scheduled for August 28, 2004 in the same location at 9:00 a.m.

The revision of the Cryptic Ritual continues in abeyance. It is the hope of the committee to resume work this coming Grand Council year.

No questions needing clarification were presented in writing to the committee, therefore no formal meeting of the committee was held.

Copies of the Cryptic Ritual continue to be available gratis from the Grand Recorder's office. We recommend that Councils avail themselves of sufficient quantity of rituals for officers and interested Companions. Rituals should be presented to each Companion following his greeting.

The certificate plan for Cryptic Masonry is in place and we encourage Companions to be proficient in any of parts and sections of the plan. Examination can be conducted by a Regional Grand Lecturer, Grand Lecturer, any Grand Officer in the advancing officer line, or anyone certified proficient.

The following is a listing of proficient companions holding current certification:

Part/Section	Certificate No.	Companion	Council	No.	Expires
Part 1	010	Cade, Jackie D.	Bonne Terre	43	November 12, 2004
Part 1	001B	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	June 5, 2005
Part 2	001B	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	April 2, 2006
Part 3, Section B	001B	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	June 5, 2005
Part 4, Section A	003	Sample, Kevin B.	Centralia	34	February 24, 2005
Part 4, Section A	001A	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	May 30, 2004
Part 4, Section A	002A	Miller, Albert H.	Bonne Terre	43	June 9, 2004
Part 4, Section B	001B	Sample, Kevin B.	Centralia	34	February 24, 2005
Part 4, Section B	002B	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	June 5, 2005
Part 4, Section C	004A	Miller, Albert H.	Bonne Terre	43	July 4, 2004
Part 4, Section C	005A	Odneal, Lewis B.	Centralia	34	April 21, 2005
Part 4, Section C	001B	Sample, Kevin B.	Centralia	34	February 24, 2005
Part 4, Section C	002B	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	June 5, 2005
Part 4, Section D	001B	Sample, Kevin B.	Centralia	34	February 24, 2005
Part 4, Section D	002B	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	June 5, 2005
Part 5, Section A	003	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	July 9, 2006
Part 5, Section B	001	Miller, Albert H.	Bonne Terre	43	April 5, 2004
Part 5, Section B	002	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	July 16, 2006
Part 5, Section C	002	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	July 23, 2006
Part 5, Section D	001B	Weaver, Kevin E.	Jeremiah	48	April 2, 2006

Finally, we close this report with a Charge to each Council of Royal and Select Masters to make every effort to learn the ritual and present it in as professional and effective manner as possible.

Fraternally submitted,

Jack D. Brown

Albert H. "Sonny" Miller

Robert H. Bray, Chairman

Bobby L. Detherow, PGM

Kevin B. Sample

REPORT OF GRAND LECTURER (2003)
THIS REPORT WAS MISTAKENLY OMITTED FROM
THE 2003 PROCEEDINGS

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: Herewith is the report of the Grand Lecturer for the past council year. Time, distance, and resources did not permit me to visit council this year. The following is a schedule of visit made as Grand Lecturer:

July 7	Reception for the Grand High Priest and Grand Master, Webster Groves
August 4	Grand York Rite Picnic, Columbia
August 4	Cornerstone Laying for Fayette High School, Fayette
August 24	Grand Council Ritual School, Jefferson City
September 9	Ezra Council No.32, Official Visit of Grand Master
September 23	Grand Lodge of Missouri York Rite Display Table
September 24	Grand Lodge of Missouri York Rite Display Table
November 25	Centralia Council No. 24, Official Visit of Grand Master
December 9	Ezra Council, Official Visit of Regional Deputy Grand Master

December 21	Past Grand Master Clarence W. Wieland Masonic Funeral Service, Rolla
January 4	Region 2 York Rite Conference, Saint Joseph
January 18	Centralia Council No. 34, Installation of Officers
March 1	Region 3 York Rite Conference, Buckner
March 8	Grand Officers Meeting, Jefferson City
March 22	Region 1 York Rite Conference, Shelbyna
March 24	Centralia Council No. 34, Official Visit of Regional Deputy Grand Master
April 5	Region 5 York Rite Conference, Webster Groves
April 12	Region 4 York Rite Conference, Jefferson City

I acknowledge with sincere thanks the work of the Illustrious Companions who served as Regional Deputy grand Lecturers: Thomas C. Yunick, Region 1; George L. Duncan, Region 2; Richard Timmerman, Region 3A; John E. Schofield, Region 3B; James G. Wade, Region 4; Edgar F. Coonrod, Region 5; Arthur Carl Highman, Region 6; and C. C. McLemore, III, Region 7. I know that with the guidance of these dedicated Cryptic Masons the ritual in our jurisdiction continues to improve.

I also acknowledge with grateful thanks Most Illustrious Companion Richard J. Holmes, Grand Master, for his appointment as Grand Lecturer.

Fraternally submitted,
Robert Harris Bray, Grand Lecturer

REPORT OF GRAND LECTURER (2004)

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: Herewith is the report of the Grand Lecturer for the past council year. Circumstance of employment did not allow me to be as active as I would like to have been this year. The Regional Grand Lecturers acted in my stead in ritual schools. The following is a schedule of my activities as Grand Lecturer:

June 14	Dedication of the Masonic Home of Missouri and the Grand Lodge Office Building, Columbia
June 28	Conferral of the degrees, Centralia Council No. 34, Columbia
August 23	Grand Council Ritual School, Jefferson City
October 18	Conferral of the degrees, Centralia Council No. 34, Columbia
October 25	Grand Council Officers meeting, Buckner
November 24	Official Visit of the Grand Master to Centralia Council No. 34, Columbia
February 21	Region 7 York Rite Conference, Springfield
April 24	Conferral of the degrees, Centralia Council No. 34, Columbia

Grand Master Phillips charged the Regional Grand Lecturers to hold a Ritual School in each region. They report the following:

Region 1	No report
Region 2	October 22, St. Joseph Masonic Temple, 26 in attendance

Region 3	February 21, Kansas City, 9th & Harrison Temple, 11 in attendance
Region 4	No report
Region 5	November 15, Webster Groves Masonic Temple, 11 in attendance
Region 6	No report
Region 7	February 7, Springfield York Rite Temple, 13 in attendance

I acknowledge with sincere thanks the work of the Illustrious Companions who served as Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers and held instruction in the individual subordinate Councils: Edward Norman, Region 1; George L. Duncan, Region 2; John E. Schofield, Region 3A; Roy N. Thomas, Region 3B; James G. Wade, Region 4; Edgar F. Coonrod, Region 5; Arthur Carl Highman, Region 6; and C. C. McLemore, III, Region 7. With the assistance of these fine Companions, our ritual will continue to improve.

I also acknowledge with grateful thanks Most Illustrious Companion Gary A. Phillips, Grand Master, for his appointment as Grand Lecturer.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Harris Bray, Grand Lecturer

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRIENNIAL

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Companions: The Sixty-sixth Triennial will be held in Rapid City, South Dakota on October 2-5, 2005.

We hope you will plan to attend. As usual, we will have the Missouri State Dinner. More information will be forth coming and we will be glad to make it available to those interested.

Yours in the Faith,
William J. Bowser, PGM
William R. Probst, PGM

Frederick H. Neal, PGM

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON YOUTH

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

YOUTH has been one of the ongoing programs of Grand Council. We financially support our youth groups, but that is it. We need to be doing more! The Youth Organizations are struggling with membership, as we are, but how many of you have younger people such as grandchildren, great nieces and nephews and neighbors who have youth that are eligible for membership in these groups? We need to help them promote their organizations.

Have you visited a Youth organization meeting lately? If you do not have a Masonic Youth Organization, how about a 4H Club, Scout Meeting or whatever meets in your area? You could give your Lodge some recognition as well as the York Rite. Let them know who you are and that you are interested in what they do. Ask if your Council could help them in any way? As Masons, we need to be visible in our communities.

Respectfully submitted,
Lon Goede, Chairman



Right Puissant Companion Ronald E. Fullerlove, General Grand Recorder and personal representative of MPC Perry B. Anderson, General Grand Master of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International, addresses the Grand Assembly.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The result of the general election was as follows: There were 119 ballots cast, 38 scattered, 83 to advance the line and retain the Treasurer and Recorder and Robert L. Wright for the Grand Captain of the Guard. All of the officers accepted their offices.

It was moved by the Grand Recorder, and seconded, that the 2003 ballots be destroyed.

Motion Approved, May 13, 2004

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

To the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

The one hundred and Fifty-Ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri will be held in conjunction with the Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri and the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri at the Lodge of the Ozarks Hotel in Branson, Missouri. The Grand Council Assembly will be held on Thursday, May 19, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,
Stanton T. Brown, Chairman

Motion Approved, May 13, 2004

AFTERNOON SESSION: AWARDS PRESENTATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Most Illustrious Companion Phillips welcomed the Companions and guests to the afternoon public Awards Presentation and Installation of Officers.

2003-2004 GRAND COUNCIL MERIT AWARDS



MIC Phillips presented the Grand Council Merit Awards. *Award recipients may be found in the report of the Committee on Merit Awards on page 162.*

2003-2004 COUNCIL LEWIS AND CLARK AWARDS



MIC Phillips awarded the 2003-2004 Council Lewis & Clark Awards. *Award recipients may be found in the historical listing of the same on pages 175-178.*

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL ADULT YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD

James Russell Tinker was awarded the General Grand Council Adult Youth Leadership Award. He was not present for the presentation of the award. *List of historical recipients, 174.*

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR AWARD

Award presentation was made at the annual banquet, see page 337. *List of historical recipients, 174.*

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

INSTALLING OFFICERS



Teddie E. Harrison, PGM
William J. Bowser, PGM
William R. Probst, PGM

Installing Grand Master
Installing Grand Marshal
Installing Grand Chaplain



MIC Bowser presents for installation the officers of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri, May 14, 2004.



On behalf of the Order of the Silver Trowel, T.I.M. William W. Mier presents Grand Master Brown with his Grand Master's apron.



MIC Phillips presents Grand Master Brown with the jewel of office of Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri. MIC Brown returned the courtesy by presenting MIC Phillips with his Past Grand Master's jewel.



The members of Independence Council No. 49 present Grand Master Brown with an apron case.



The new First Lady of Cryptic Masonry of the State of Missouri presents the Grand Master with a proper cover and a kiss.

ERRATA

The following is a listing of known corrections to the 2003 Proceedings of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri.

- Page 114 Preliminary Report of Credentials, change “Secretary” to “Recorder” and change “Convocation” to “Assembly”
 Page 133 Statistics, change Number of Members, December 31, “2002” to “2001”
 Page 140 Second paragraph, change Ronald E. “Woods” to “Wood”
 Page 154 First paragraph, change “theyear” to “the year”
 Page 158 Report of Grand Lecturer missing, added to page 164-165 of these proceedings
 Page 162 Merit Awards, change page “178” to “156”
 Page 185 Silver Trowel candidates listing missing. Candidates were:

Norman G. Schlagenhauf, Jr. (1)	Loyd Vernon Wagner (41)
William F. Maugh (9)	Kenneth J. Wassen (42)
Christopher Scott Houge (25)	Yale Thomas Turnham (45)
Phillip Wayne Engel (34)	Joseph F. Wiegert (48)
Chris Michael Jessen (39)	Ralph E. Nolan (49)
Kirby Trent Moreland (40)	Frank R. von Geyso, III (50)

* Four Honorary candidates from Colorado, Indiana, Kansas, and Minnesota.

Corrections to the 2004 proceedings are to be addressed in writing to the Grand Recorder for publication in the 2005 proceedings.

REFERENCE

The following pages give reference to historical and current information pertaining to the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri.

ELECTIVE OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF MISSOURI SINCE ORGANIZATION

(Complete listing to be published every 10 years.)

YEAR	GRAND MASTER	DEPUTY GRAND MASTER	GRAND PRINCIPAL COND. OF THE WORK	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND RECORDER
April, 1972	Logan E. Wing, Jr.	Clyde M. McCrea	Frank A. Arnold	* Fred H. Knight	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1973	Clyde M. McCrea	Frank A. Arnold	Franklin J. Anderson	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1974	Frank A. Arnold	Franklin J. Anderson	James E. Sullivan	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1975	Franklin J. Anderson	James E. Sullivan	Dudley C. Barnes	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1976	James E. Sullivan	Dudley C. Barnes	Everette L. Gloyd	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1977	Dudley C. Barnes	Everette L. Gloyd	Ernest J. Thacker	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1978	Everette L. Gloyd	Ernest J. Thacker	George R. Johnson	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1979	Ernest J. Thacker	George R. Johnson	Robert N. Hunter	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1980	George R. Johnson	Robert N. Hunter	Ronald R. Bielby	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1981	Robert N. Hunter	Ronald R. Bielby	Donald C. Trece	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1982	Ronald R. Bielby	Donald C. Trece	William Gordon Buckner	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1983	Donald C. Trece	William Gordon Buckner	Blair C. Mayford	Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1984	William Gordon Buckner	Blair C. Mayford	Blair C. Mayford	* Olin S. McDaniel	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1985	Billie L. Bird	Blair C. Mayford	Jack R. Clark, Sr.	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1986	Blair C. Mayford	Jack R. Clark, Sr.	Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1987	Jack R. Clark, Sr.	Alvin F. Gerstenschlager	Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1988	Alvin F. Gerstenschlager	Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.	William R. Probst	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1989	Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.	William R. Probst	James A. Cockerham	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1990	William R. Probst	James A. Cockerham	John V. Crampton	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1991	James A. Cockerham	John V. Crampton	Lawrence R. Albright, II	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1992	John V. Crampton	Lawrence R. Albright, II	Paul K. Kawakami	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1993	Lawrence R. Albright, II	Paul K. Kawakami	C. Richard Carter	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1994	Paul K. Kawakami	C. Richard Carter	Clarence W. Wieland	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
April, 1995	C. Richard Carter	Clarence W. Wieland	Lester E. Schultz	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt
May, 1996	Clarence W. Wieland	Frederick H. Neal	Bob L. Detherow	E. Allen Kohler	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 1997	Frederick H. Neal	Bob L. Detherow	Teddie E. Harrison	!! E. Allen Kohler	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 1998	Bob L. Detherow	Teddie E. Harrison	William J. Bowser	Donald L. Trabue	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 1999	Teddie E. Harrison	William J. Bowser	LeRoy D. Unruh	Donald L. Trabue	!! Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 2000	William J. Bowser	LeRoy D. Unruh	Richard J. Holmes	Donald L. Trabue	Kevin B. Sample
May, 2001	LeRoy D. Unruh	Richard J. Holmes	Gary A. Phillips	Donald L. Trabue	Kevin B. Sample
May, 2002	Richard J. Holmes	Gary A. Phillips	Stanton T. Brown	Donald L. Trabue	Kevin B. Sample
May, 2003	Gary A. Phillips	Stanton T. Brown	Robert H. Bray	Donald L. Trabue	Kevin B. Sample
May, 2004	Stanton T. Brown	Robert H. Bray	Albert H. Miller	Donald L. Trabue	Kevin B. Sample

§ No Assembly in 1865 or 1879 * Suspended † Dmitted !! Resigned

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR AWARD

The General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International, awards the Cryptic Mason of the Year Award to only one deserving and distinguished Companion in Missouri each year.

Recipient	Year	Recipient	Year
* Maurice E. Votaw	1975	* Clarence K. Swan	1990
† Clifford Reed	1976	* J. D. Smith	1991
* William I. Hutton	1977	Carl L. Hoeningner	1992
* George J. Grossius	1978	William J. Bowser	1993
* Thomas W. Cook	1979	Harold C. Mace	1994
* Claude E. Oxley	1980	Emory J. Hampel	1995
* John B. Vrooman	1981	Luther H. Fryer	1996
* O. "Jack" V. Cundiff	1982	* R. Clyde Foster	1997
* Albert L. Kowitz	1983	Robert H. Bray	1998
* Ralph E. Hahn	1984	J. Edward Blinn	1999
* Loren E. Reynolds	1985	Albert H. Miller	2000
Lawrence R. Albright, Jr.	1986	William David Townley	2001
Nelson G. Morgan	1987	* E. Wayne Mund	2002
* Harold R. Crockett	1988	Kevin E. Weaver	2003
* Almon A. Atkins	1989	Christopher C. McLemore, III	2004

(* Deceased, † Dimitted)

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL ADULT YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Adult Youth Leadership Award is awarded by the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International to one who has distinguished himself in leadership with Missouri DeMolay, Jobs Daughters, or Rainbow for Girls.

Recipient	Year	Recipient	Year
P. Vincent Kinkad	1984	* Charles S. Grantham	1995
Wilbert W. Burton	1985	Bob L. Detherow	1996
Lionel J. Goede	1986	Robert L. Hudson	1997
Ronald L. Zumwalt	1987	William D. Townley	1998
‡ Robert L. Harder	1988	Virginia "Ginny" Goede	1999
* John H. Jepson, Jr.	1989	James E. Snively	2000
Darrell W. Cross	1990	William W. Mier	2001
James J. Gibbons	1991	Catherine Dent	2002
William B. Stephenson, Jr.	1992	Danny D. Smothers	2003
Arland E. Haynes	1993	James Russell Tinker	2004
Robert W. Cockerham	1994		

(* Deceased, ‡ Suspended)

GRAND COUNCIL LEWIS AND CLARK AWARDS**1988**

Region	Name	Council	No.
1	William F. Strode	Trinity	47
2	Frank Golden, Jr.	St. Joseph	9
3	Howard L. Adkins	Westport	38
4	Galeon P. Campbell	Rolla	39
5	William L. Weiss	Hiram	1
6	Michael R. Stevens	Bonne Terre	43
7	Von Ray Berry	Zabud	25

1989

Region	Name	Council	No.
1	C. Richard Carter	Kirksville	44
2	Andrew O. Ross	St. Joseph	9
3	Ernest W. Erickson	Westport	38
4	Clarence W. Wieland	Rolla	39
5	Theodore Buckwick	York	40
6	George C. Hunt	Cape	20
7	Robert E. Barton	Carthage	41

1990

Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Mervin W. Pierce	Trinity	47
2	James M. Roberts	St. Joseph	9
3	Luther W. Lance	Liberty	50
4	Kenneth W. Derryberry	Rolla	39
5	Raymond Schuenmeyer	Jeremiah	48
6	James H. Reynolds	Bonne Terre	43
7	William H. Vobbe	Jasper	30

1991

Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Forrest S. Todd		
2	Marvin H. Koch		
3	Kenneth Boyd Morris		
4	Harold C. Mace	Rolla	39
5	James E. Finch	Hiram	1
6	John E. Crites	Cape	20
7	Elmer H. Wilhelm	Zabud	25

1992

Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Kenneth Grace	Trinity	47
2	Herbert N. Sutherland	Harmony	53
3	Ray F. Hendricks	Sedalia	42
4	Wilbert W. Burton	Rolla	39
5	Erwin J. Roesel	Jeremiah	48
6	John E. Schofield	El Camino	52
7	Edward J. Franklin	Jasper	30

1993			
Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Charles R. McBee	Kirksville	44
2	Michael W. Klipp	Trenton	37
3	Lester J. Brown	Liberty	50
4	Ralph L. Coshov	Ezra	32
5	Albert H. Miller	Hiram	1
6	E. Wayne Mund	Bonne Terre	43
7	Jack B. Castor	Jasper	30

1994			
Region	Name	Council	No.
1	None		
2	John E. Thraillkill	Harmony	53
3	Charles E. Davis	Independence	49
4	Melvin B. Goe, Sr.	Centralia	34
5	None		
6	None		
7	Donald Gordon	Zabud	25

1995			
Region	Name	Council	No.
1	None		
2	William Mier	St. Joseph	9
3	C. Keith Wilkinson	Independence	49
4	John D. Atkins	Rolla	39
5	None		
6	None		
7	Grant W. John	Lebanon	56

1996			
Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Richard L. Mansfield	Kirksville	44
2	Richard G. Remelius	St. Joseph	9
3	Teddie E. Harrison	Independence	49
4	Eugene E. Wilson	Centralia	34
5	Carl C. Hobbs	York	40
6	Douglas A. Bothman	Bonne Terre	43
7	Randall J. Jones	Zabud	25

1997			
Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Earl W. Orr	Trinity	47
2	Albert L. Kowitz	St. Joseph	9
3	Bob McLeese	Independence	49
4	Robert H. Bray	Centralia	34
5	Kevin E. Weaver	Jeremiah	48
6	Clark W. Layne	Bonne Terre	43
7	Gary A. Phillips	Jasper	30

1998

Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Art E. Carlson	Trinity	47
2	James C. Moore	Trenton	37
3A	Brent D. Wilson	Shekinah	24
3B	Danny L. Ferguson	Warrensburg	57
4	Michael C. Glawson	Centralia	34
5	Robert E. Hardester	Bonne Terre	43
6	None		
7	None		

1999

Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Amos Asmussen	Trinity	47
2	Carroll Henson	St. Joseph	9
3A	Ted W. Harrison	Shekinah	24
3B	Frederick M. Harle	Independence	49
4	Steve Hodge	Rolla	39
5	Edgar F. Coonrod	York	40
6	James J. Hayes	Bonne Terre	43
7	James Mercer	Zabud	25

2000

Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Thomas C. Yunick	Kirksville	44
2	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	St. Joseph	9
3A	Richard G. Harrison	Shekinah	24
3B	Glen E. Hennes	Warrensburg	57
4	James G. Wade	Centralia	34
5	Morning E. Collins	Hiram	1
6	Cecil O. Blaylock	Cape	20
6	William I. McCutcheon	Bonne Terre	43
7	Stephen T. Thompson	Zabud	25

2001

Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Gary W. Beahan	Trinity	47
2	Norman C. Jefferies	St. Joseph	9
3A	William Ed Jones	East Gate	51
3B	Roy Earl Talbott	Sedalia	42
4	T R Havens	Rolla	39
5	Robert E. Plummer	York	40
6	Steven C. Monrotus	Bonne Terre	43
7	Albert E. Folds	Lebanon	56

2002

Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Zelwin B. Eaton	Kirksville	44
2	J B SeEVERS	St. Joseph	9
3A	John W. Gibson, Jr.	Liberty	50
3B	Allen B. Bess	Sedalia	42
4	Frank M. Hinshaw	Centralia	34
5	Carl A. Detmer, Sr.	York	40
6	Harold J. Richardson	Bonne Terre	43
7	Richard A. Lowry	Jasper	30

2003			
Region	Name	Council	No.
1	William Sanders	Kirksville	44
2	Larry T. Odom	Trenton	37
3A	Robert W. Vanderpool	East Gate	51
3B	George F. D'Haene	Sedalia	42
4	Harold F. Coots	Ezra	32
5	Charles G. Coy	Jeremiah	48
6	James L. Woodfin, Jr.	Bonne Terre	43
7	Aaron D. Jones	Zabud	25

2004			
Region	Name	Council	No.
1	Loren D. Lloyd	Kirksville	44
2	Bobby R. O'Dell	Chillicothe	28
3A	Robert W. Brizendine	East Gate	51
3B	Emerson O. Brown	Independence	49
4	Paul R. Cannon	Rolla	39
5	None		
6	James E. Snively	Bonne Terre	43
7	Richard R. McCauley	Lebanon	56

**LIVING PAST GRAND MASTERS
OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

Living Past Grand Masters	Year
G. Fred Kling	1966-1967
Logan E. Wing, Jr.	1972-1973
Everette L. Gloyd	1978-1979
George R. Johnson	1980-1981
Robert N. Hunter	1981-1982
William Gordon Buckner	1984-1985
Blair C. Mayford	1986-1987
Jack R. Clark, Sr.	1987-1988
Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.	1989-1990
William R. Probst	1990-1991
James H. Cockerham	1991-1992
John V. Crampton	1992-1993
Lawrence R. Albright, II	1993-1994
Paul K. Kawakami	1994-1995
E. Allen Kohler (Honorary)	1998
C. Richard Carter	1995-1996
Frederick H. Neal	1997-1998
Bob L. Detherow	1998-1999
Teddie E. Harrison	1999-2000
William J. Bowser	2000-2001
LeRoy D. Unruh	2001-2002
Richard J. Holmes	2002-2003
Gary A. Phillips	2003-2004

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Panama	Antonio H. Linck	Apartado 11610, Panama 6, Republic of Panama	
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With the exception of the address of the General Grand Council, those in bold are updates from the previous year.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES TO AND FROM THE GRAND COUNCIL OF MISSOURI

From Missouri	Jurisdiction	To Missouri
George E. Tremmelling	Alabama	
George B. Rayburn	Alaska	Frederick H. Neal
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James D. Price	Arkansas	James J. Gibbons
Albert M. Lewis	California	William Gordon Buckner
Kent R. Gould	Colorado	Blair C. Mayford
Bard C. Teigen	Connecticut	Richard J. Holmes
Franklin R. Townsend	Delaware	
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Frank Clawson	Florida	George R. Johnson
Pierre M. Meste	France	Marion W. Dey
Charles W. Martin	Georgia	Charles H. Knowles
Robert C. Simpson	Germany	Teddie E. Harrison
	Greece	Emory J. Hampel
Bennett K.C. Ing	Hawaii	
Henry B. Dahlquist	Idaho	Freddie D. Adams
Herschel O. Thomas	Illinois	Nicholas F. Steinmetz
Charles Z. Rhodehamil	Indiana	Donald H. Doss
Jimmy E. Arnold	Iowa	Gene M. Zinn
	Israel	Paul B. Tobias
Mario Cifarelli	Italy	Francis Latragna
M. Wayne Rush	Kansas	James H. Cockerham
Billy E. Scolf	Kentucky	Bob L. Detherow
Melvin G. Russell	Louisiana	Robert W. Schlichter
Roland L. Schreiter	Maine	Everette L. Gloyd
Arthur D. Sellers	Maryland	William E. Brenneman
Robert E. Rancore	Massachusetts	Dale L. Mills, II
Walter D. Hutchins	Michigan	Charles W. Carlstrom
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Byran E. Lee	Nebraska	James G. Wade
Richard Harriman Downs	Nevada	Donald L. Hiatte
Roderick D. Morrison, Jr.	New Hampshire	Lawrence R. Albright, II
Fred Van Sant, Jr.	New Jersey	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
Darrell W. Sinclair	New Mexico	Donald S. Maness
Francis W. Carter	New York	Paul K. Kawakami
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Alfred P. Underdahl	North Dakota	Lester J. Brown
Carol Eugene Monday, Jr.	Ohio	Stanton T. Brown
Donald W. Rimmer	Oklahoma	Ralph P. Bunnell
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Stanley G. Laker	Oregon	Donald C. Treece
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**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
TO AND FROM THE GRAND COUNCIL OF MISSOURI,
Continued**

From Missouri	Jurisdiction	To Missouri
Clyde L. Whitefield, Jr.	Philippines	Richard G. Harrison
Antonio Lebre	Portugal	William J. Bowser
John B. Cornell	Rhode Island	Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.
George Vernon	Scotland	Robert N. Hunter
Jerry Garris	South Carolina	Melvin J. Sanders
James Dunbar	South Dakota	Ernest J. Thacker
Adrian F. Chambers	Tennessee	Kevin B. Sample
Clarence J. Laney	Texas	C. Richard Carter
Deceased - Pending	Utah	P. Vincent Kinkad
James R. Winner, III	Vermont	Glenn E. Means
Harold L. Tomkins	Washington	Marvin L. Painter
Ross Phillips	Western Canada	Matthew L. Quesenberry
Roger L. Bloomfield	Wisconsin	Ted W. Harrison
John Sterkel	Wyoming	Walter W. Doyle

(Address information for Grand Representatives to and from Missouri is available from the Grand Recorder.)

2004-2005 REGIONAL DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

Region	Name
1	Barry V. Cundiff
2	John E. Thraillkill
3A	Steven M. Anderson
3B	Daniel R. Quesenberry
4	Lewis C. Odneal
5	Norman G. Schlagenhauf
6	Steven C. Monrotus
7	Albert E. Folds

2004-2005 REGIONAL DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

Region	Name
1	Loren D. Lloyd
2	George L. Duncan
3A	John E. Schofield
3B	Roy N. Thomas
4	James G. Wade
5	Edgar F. Coonrod
6	Steven C. Monrotus
7	Christopher C. McLemore, III

2004-2005 GRAND COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES

Address of Grand Master	
Gary A. Phillips	
Credentials	
Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman Phillip W. Engel	Fred A. Troxel, Jr.
Finance and Accounts	
William R. Probst, Chairman Jack D. Brown Donald L. Trabue (ex-officio)	Jack R. Clark, Sr. Kevin B. Sample (ex-officio)
Jurisprudence	
Vern H. Schneider, Chairman Stanton T. Brown	John V. Crampton
Reports of Grand Officers	
Stanton T. Brown	
Returns of Councils	
Robert H. Bray	
Review	
Kevin B. Sample	

2004-2005 GRAND COUNCIL SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Audit	
Charity and Charity Endowment Fund	
Robert H. Bray, Chairman Jack R. Clark, Sr.	Lawrence R. Albright, II William J. Bowser
Constitution and By-Laws Revision	
William R. Probst, Chairman William J. Bowser	Paul K. Kawakami
Education	
William B. Stephenson, Jr., Chairman Richard J. Holmes	Kevin E. Weaver

2004-2005 GRAND COUNCIL SPECIAL COMMITTEES, Continued**Electronic Communications & Internet**

Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

Aaron M. Shoemaker, Webmaster

General Grand Council Charity Committee

William Gordon Buckner

Golf Tournament

William J. Bowser

Kevin B. Sample

Life Membership

Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr., Chairman

(1 year)

Emory J. Hampel

Walter W. Doyle

Donald L. Trabue

(ex-officio)

Kevin B. Sample

(ex-officio)

Grand Council Finance Committee

(ex-officio)

Membership

Ervin A. Drewing, Chairman

Earl W. Orr

Teddie E. Harrison

George M. Merkle

Harold J. Richardson

Merit Award

Emory J. Hampel, Chairman

Robert H. Bray

Ritual

Robert H. Bray, Chairman

Kevin B. Sample

Jack D. Brown

Bob L. Detherow

Albert H. Miller

Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers

Royal Arch Mason Magazine, Editor, Missouri Section

Robert H. Bray

Time and Place

Robert H. Bray

Triennial

William J. Bowser, Chairman

Frederick H. Neal

Robert H. Bray

Youth

Lionel J. Goede, Chairman

James E. Snavelly

LeRoy D. Unruh

James J. Gibbons

2004-2005 GRAND COUNCIL SPECIAL COMMITTEES, Continued**General Grand Council Officers**

Frederick H. Neal	Deputy General Grand Master of the South Central Region
Bob L. Detherow	General Grand Council Ambassador in Missouri

**2004-2005 OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF
CRYPTIC MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI****ELECTED AND APPOINTED**

Name	Office
Stanton T. Brown (49)	Grand Master
Robert H. Bray (34)	Deputy Grand Master
Albert H. Miller (43)	Grand Principal Conductor of the Work
Donald L. Trabue (32)	Grand Treasurer
Kevin B. Sample (27,34)	Grand Recorder
Robert L. Wright (48)	Grand Captain of the Guard
Edgar F. Coonrod (40)	Grand Conductor of the Council
Jack D. Brown (30)	Grand Marshal
Danny D. Smothers (45)	Grand Steward
Melvin J. Sanders (49)	Grand Sentinel
Ronald E. Wood, Jr. (9)	Grand Chaplain
Robert H. Bray (34)	Grand Lecturer
John E. Schofield (49, 50, 52)	Grand Organist
Daniel R. Quesenberry (49)	Grand Chorister
Matthew L. Quesenberry (49)	Asst. Grand Chorister

The next Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri will be held at the Lodge of the Ozarks, Branson, Missouri on May 19th, 2005.



2004-2005 OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

(Front row, from left to right): Robert L. Wright; Donald L. Trabue; Robert H. Bray; Stanton T. Brown; Albert H. Miller; Kevin B. Sample; and Edgar F. Coonrod. (Back row, from left to right): Daniel R. Quesenberry; Melvin J. Sanders; Ronald E. Wood, Jr.; John E. Schofield; Jack D. Brown; and Danny D. Smothers.



2004-2005 LADIES OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

(From left to right): Royann Quesenberry; Elizabeth Wright; Betty Miller, Grand Master Stanton T. Brown; Johnnie Brown; Marie Wood; Dorothy Sanders; and Joyce A. Sample.

FIFTY-FOURTH
ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Order of the Silver Trowel

OF THE

State of Missouri



CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI
MAY 13, 2004



Order of the Silver Trowel

The 54th Annual Convention of the Order of the Silver Trowel of Missouri was held in the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City, Missouri on Thursday, May 13, 2004.

Thrice Illustrious Master William W. Mier opened the Throne Room in full form for the reception of candidates, the conferring of the Order, and the transaction of business. He was assisted by the following officers:

Senior Warden – Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.

Junior Warden – Ronald E. Wood, Jr.

Steward – William R. Probst

Sentinel – Lionel J. Goede

Chaplain – Kevin W. Weaver

Recorder/Treasurer – Theodore Buckwick

RECEPTION AND ELECTION OF PETITIONS

The following 10 candidates were duly elected to receive the Order:

David H. Lewis (1)

Carl Ward Bryant (9)

Joseph L. Hellig (24)

Timothy David Munday (37)

C.C. McLemore, IV (41)

Roy Dean Dehaven (42)

Paul B. Tobias (43)

Scott S. Crawford (49)

James C. Morgan (56)

Harold J. McCellan (56)

One Honorary degree from Minneapolis, MN.



(Errata: The candidate listing in the 2003 proceedings was incorrect. The correct listing can be found in the Errata of the Grand Council on page 172 of these proceedings.)

CAST

Director – José R. Palacios

Prologue	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	Adoniram	David R. Vogler
Benaiah	Paul K. Kawakami	Ahiah	Ronnie E. Green
Zadok	Robert L. Wright	Abijah	William R. Probst
Nathan	William J. Bowser	David	Kevin E. Weaver
Messenger	Jack R. Clark, Sr.	Solomon	Candidate

Opening

T.I.M. William W. Mier



Robes furnished by the Jefferson City York Rite Bodies, Jefferson City, Missouri

BUSINESS MEETING

73 members present
 Recorder/Treasurer's Report
 Auditor's Report
 Necrology Report and Prayer
 Communications
 Approval of the Minutes of the 53rd Annual Convention
 Grand Council Proceedings
 Approval of bills

ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF 2004-2005 OFFICERS

The nominating committee presented the slate of officers for the ensuing year, who were then elected and installed.

T.I.M.	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	Steward	Lionel J. Goede
Senior Warden	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	Sentinel	Kevin E. Weaver
Junior Warden	William R. Probst	Chaplain	Daniel R. Quesenberry
Treasurer/Recorder	Stanton T. Brown		



INSTALLING OFFICERS

Thrice Illustrious Master.....	José R. Palacios
Marshal.....	Calvin D. Schroff
Chaplain.....	William W. Mier

Past Thrice Illustrious Master William W. Mier presented Thrice Illustrious Master Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr. with the “José R. Palacios Traveling Jewel.”

T.I.M. Cantrell appointed José R. Palacios, Stanton T. Brown, and Robert L. Wright to serve on the Nominating Committee for the 2004-2005 year and appointed José R. Palacios to be the Director of the Degree.

**INTRODUCTION OF THE CAST AND
PRESENTATION OF MEMBERSHIP CARDS**

The 54th Annual Convention of the Order of the Silver Trowel of Missouri was then closed by T.I.M. Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.

Respectfully submitted,
Stanton T. Brown, Treasurer/Recorder
Order of the Silver Trowel of Missouri

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

*One Hundred Forty-Third
Annual Conclave*

OF THE

Grand Commandery

OF

Knights Templar

OF THE

State of Missouri



HELD AT

CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI
MAY 15, 2004, A.:O.:886





Thomas Chester Yunick
Grand Commander
Grand Commandery of Missouri
2003-2004

Biographical

THOMAS CHESTER YUNICK
Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery
of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri
2003-2004

Thomas Chester Yunick was born, Chester Thomas Vanhorn in Plattsmouth, Nebraska, 11 November 1941 to Lt. Eugene Stanley Van Horn (US Army) and Mary Katherine (Reeves) Van Horn. At the age of four, he was adopted by John and Rose Yunick along with a brother, Stanley Gerald Yunick, and a sister, Carolyn Rose Yunick. The Yunick family moved to Chapel, Missouri to escape publicity of the adoption. When Thomas was approximately age twelve, Rose and John Yunick had both passed on. Thomas found a loving home with Edwin and Zelma Ray of Unionville, Missouri where he lived until 1960. Along the way, he attended grade school in Chapel, Missouri, Livonia, Missouri, and Graysville, Missouri. He graduated from Livonia High School in 1959 and attended one year of college at Kirksville State Teachers College in Kirksville, Missouri, maintaining an almost flunking grade point average. In the summer of 1960, he moved north to Minneapolis, Minnesota and found work in construction as a family-sponsored union member. In the spring of 1961 upon receiving a draft notice, Thomas decided that the Army was not for him and enlisted in the US Air Force. Thomas was trained as an electrician, and received high marks. Consequently, he was given additional training on the Atlas F Intercontinental Ballistic Missile System, serving in Roswell, New Mexico. Upon reenlistment, he cross-trained into Imagery Interpretation serving in that field until retiring in 1982 with the grade of E-7 (Master Sergeant). Thomas earned 180 semester hours of college credits attending night school classes while serving in stations from Vietnam, to Panama, Norway, Germany, the Philippine Islands, Idaho, South Carolina and several other duty and temporary duty stations.

Thomas met and married Vicki Ann Hill of Denver, Colorado while attending imagery interpretation training in 1965. They were divorced in 1980.

Thomas met Christopher Elizabeth Davis of St. Paul, Minnesota while serving in Germany. They were married in May of 1981, and after Thomas's retirement, moved back to the Ray farm where they live today. Christopher teaches high school French and Spanish and is a school counselor in Unionville, Missouri.

In 1983, Thomas was appointed Rural Letter Carrier substitute out of Unionville, Missouri and in 1985 was hired on full time in Kirksville, Missouri retiring in December of 2004.

Thomas attends the Omaha Baptist Church in Omaha, Missouri. He was baptized at the age of nine in the Chariton River near Livonia, Missouri. He is a political conservative/liberal and maintains no political party affiliation.

Thomas has three children: Dawn Aurelia Tuttle of Denver, Colorado, Thomas Edwin Yunick of Denver, Colorado, and Jacqueline Sue Coggins of Waterville, Kansas. Dawn has a daughter, Kristi Rene, and a son, Nicholas Scott. Jacqueline has two daughters: Lindsey Brook, Cassidy Marie, and a son, Cole David.

Thomas has been active in community service serving on the Putnam County Extension Council, the Putnam County Ambulance Board of Directors as a member and the Chairperson, the Elm Township Volunteer Fire Department as a member and the Assistant Fire Chief for twenty years, as a member and Chairperson of the University of Missouri Master Gardener State Advisory Board for six years and for the past ten years has been an instructor in the Missouri Hunter Education Program.

Thomas is owner of "Tom's Tire and Tube" (A retail tire store), of "Heartland Waterscapes" in Kirksville, Missouri, and of Dewberry Hill farm (175 acres) where visitors find an ever-changing cornucopia of row crops, meadows, woodlands, fishing ponds, horses, cattle, a greenhouse, plant nursery, iris gardens, vegetable gardens and various other activities including the occasional production of sorghum molasses and maple syrup.

Thomas is a member of VFW Post 2508, Loyal Order of Moose, No. 1751, Unionville Country Club, Missouri Trappers Association, Travelers Protective Association, Missouri Hunter Education Instructor's Association, Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonel, Kirksville Garden Club, and Kirksville Master Gardeners Club.

Thomas was initiated as an Entered Apprentice and raised to Master Mason in Hartford Lodge No. 171 in Hartford, Missouri. He served as Master in 1992. He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Putnam Chapter No. 123 in Unionville, Missouri on June 2, 1989. He was greeted a Select Master in Kirksville Council No. 44 on June 2, 1989, and was knighted in Ely Commandery No. 22 in Kirksville, Missouri on June 2, 1989. He has held the office of High Priest in Putnam 123, Illustrious Master in Kirksville Council No. 44, and Commander of Ely No. 22.

Thomas currently serves as a member of the Kirksville Temple Board and is the Secretary/Recorder for all three Kirksville York Rite Bodies. He holds membership in the following affiliated Masonic bodies: Columbia Valley Scottish Rite, Moila Shrine, Oasis of El Kadir in Kirksville, Missouri; Missouri Priory No. 17 Knights of the York Cross of Honor, Marquis de LaFayette Council No. 392 Allied Masonic Degrees, Red Branch of Erie, Tipperary Council No. 62 Knight Masons, Heart of Missouri York Rite College No. 188, Edwin C. Carpenter York Rite College No. 181, National Sojourners, Heroes of '76, Columbia Preceptory No. VIII Yeomen of York, Red Cross of Constantine, Holy Royal Arch Knights Templar Priest, Missouri Past Commanders' Association, Order of the High Priesthood, Order of the Silver Trowel, and the Forty-Fivers.

Thomas was elected into line of the Grand Commandery of the State of Missouri in May of 1996, elected and installed into the office of Grand Commander on May 17, 2003. His theme for the year has been "FIVE HIGH" based on the Masonic principles of "FAITH, FORGIVENESS, FORTITUDE, FRIENDSHIP, and FAMILY." It is his hope that each York Rite Mason remembers and puts into daily practice the many vows and promises that he gave at a Masonic altar while receiving the individual degrees and orders in the Masonic bodies.

I HAD HOPED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE
YET ONLY TIME WILL TELL
THE PATH WAS EVER CROOKED
AND MANY TIMES, I FELL

THE MANY HANDS THAT HELPED ME
WITH LOVE, ADVICE, AND CHEER
I HOLD FOREVER PRECIOUS
THEIR VOICES IN MY EAR

HOMES THAT GAVE ME SHELTER
YOUR COUNSEL STERNLY GIVEN
FOOD THAT FILLED MY BODY
SHARING, GIVING, MILES DRIVEN

THANK YOU ONE, THANK YOU ALL
FOR ARM TO BACK, OR TOE TO TOE
LADIES, BROTHERS, AND SIR KNIGHTS
WIFE, FAMILY, FRIEND AND WORTHY FOE

DID WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE
TOMORROW'S TIME WILL TELL
WHEN EACH HAS ANSWERED TO THE CALL
THE ETERNAL RING OF THE GATE-KEEPERS BELL



“FIVE HIGH”



2003-2004 OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

(Front row, from left to right): David D. Powell; Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.; Donald L. Trabue; James E. Snavely; Nicholas F. Steinmetz; Thomas C. Yunick; Marvin W. Frost; Kevin B. Sample; James J. Hayes; and Marion W. Dey. *(Back row, left to right):* John E. Schofield; Richard L. Mansfield; Ronnie E. Green; John E. Thraillkill; Russell S.

Hanson; Lewis C. Odneal; Michael J. Moore; David A. Lloyd; and Loren D. Lloyd.

One Hundred Forty-Third Annual Conclave

The One Hundred Forty-Third Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri was reconvened at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, Missouri on May 15, 2004, at 8:00 a.m. Under the direction of the Deputy Grand Commander, the Grand Commandery Officers officially opened the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri using Class B Drill. The following Grand Officers were in their stations:

Thomas C. Yunick
Nicholas F. Steinmetz
James E. Snavelly
Marvin W. Frost
William S. Hall, PGC
James J. Hayes
Lewis C. Odneal
Donald L. Trabue
Kevin B. Sample
John E. Thrailkill
Ronnie E. Green
Russell S. Hanson
Richard L. Mansfield
Daniel R. Quesenberry
John E. Schofield

Grand Commander
Deputy Grand Commander
Grand Generalissimo
Grand Captain General
Grand Senior Warden pro tem
Grand Junior Warden
Grand Prelate
Grand Treasurer
Grand Recorder
Grand Standard Bearer
Grand Sword Bearer
Grand Warder
Grand Sentinel
Grand Chorister pro tem
Grand Organist



Grand Commandery opened in public Class B form by the Grand Commandery Officers.

INTRODUCTION AND RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS



These Right Eminent Past Grand Commanders were presented and received in due form. *(From left to right):* SK William S. Hall; SK Lionel J. Goede; SK Harold J. Richardson; SK Billy J. Boyer; SK Donald L. Trabue; SK Jerry F. Ward; SK Jacob C. Baird; SK Chester H. Hazen; SK Robert G. Bird; SK Robert D. Jenkins; SK Blair C. Mayford; and SK William R. Robbins. SK Robins spoke on behalf of the Past Grand Commanders.

HEADS OF MISSOURI BODIES



Presented were *(from left to right):* SK Stanton T. Brown (*just outside of frame, left of SK Phillips*), Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri; SK Gary A. Phillips, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri; SK Walter W. Doyle, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri; and SK Delbert R. Gentry, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri.

OUT OF STATE GUESTS

Presented were these Right Eminent Grand Commanders from other jurisdictions: SK Charles M. Mills, REGC of the Grand Commandery of Illinois and SK Thomas J. Allen, REGC of the Grand Commandery of Iowa.



These out of state guests Grand Commandery Officers were introduced and received in due form. They are SK Phillip W. Keffer, VEDGC of the Grand Commandery of Kansas and SK Bryan L. Berry, EGSW of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania.



Past Grand Commanders present were SK Herschel O. Thomas, REPGC of the Grand Commandery of Illinois and SK Ronald D. Simpson, REPGC of the Grand Commandery of Indiana.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OFFICERS



Presented was SK Dosier P. Gossett, Aide-de-Camp to the ME Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.



Presented were (from left to right, top to bottom): SK Clifford L. Duncan, REPGC of the Grand Commandery of Arkansas and South Central Department Commander; SK James N. Karnegis, REPGC of the Grand Commandery of Nebraska and North Central Department Commander; SK William R. Robbins, REPGC of the Grand Commandery of Missouri and Past Department Commander of the South Central Department; SK Vern H. Schneider, REPGC of the Grand Commandery of Missouri and Past Department Commander (Honorary) of the South Central Department; and SK Billy J. Boyer, REPGC of the Grand Commandery of Missouri and Past Department Commander of the South Central Department, all of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.





Sir Knight Kenneth B. Fischer, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS



Presented were RESK Ronald E. Wood, Jr., Past Grand Commander (Honorary) of the Grand Commandery of Missouri, Deputy Governor of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America in Missouri, and Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Missouri; SK Stanton T. Brown, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Missouri; and SK John E. Schofield, Grand Organist of the Grand Lodge of Missouri.



Presented were these Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, & Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri: RESK Vern H. Schneider; RESK Robert D. Jenkins; and SK Glenn E. Means.



SK and Most Worshipful Brother Stanley M. Thompson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free & Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri.

REGIONAL GRAND COMMANDERS



SK Sample introduced the Regional Grand Commanders. They were (*from left to right*): SK Gayle D. Bedell, Region 7B; SK Albert E. Folds, Region 7A; SK Richard E. Jump, Region 6; SK Harry C. Reed, Jr., Region 5; SK John W. Gibson, Jr., Region 3B; SK Timothy D. Munday, Region 2B; SK Larry T. Odom, Region 2A, and SK Clyde F. Bondy, Jr., Region 1.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

(Picture not available.) The Grand Recorder called the roll of the Grand Representatives of other jurisdictions to Missouri as they assembled. The Grand Representatives of other Grand Commanderies near the Grand Commandery of Missouri in attendance are noted in the report of the Committee on Credentials. *(A complete listing of Grand Representatives may be found in the back of the proceedings.)*

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The Grand Recorder reported on behalf of the Committee on Credentials that there was a constitutional number of Commanderies present to open a Grand Conclave.

RECONVENING OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

The Grand Commander then dismissed the ladies and guests and called for the roll of officers to be called. All Sir Knights were present with the exception of the following excused absences due to illness: Sir Knight Frederick A. Troxel, Jr. and Sir Knight Michael J. Moore. He then ordered the 143rd Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri reconvened.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND COMMANDER

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

FIVE HIGH: FAITH, FRATERNITY, FORTITUDE, FRIENDSHIP, FAMILY

Welcome to the one hundred forty-third Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the state of Missouri.

I am truly humbled by your trust and faith in allowing me to serve you this past year. It has been a very enjoyable year, as well as demanding, and at times almost overwhelming. It has expanded my view of the horizons of Masonry and Templary. It has opened doors and built friendships throughout Missouri, the United States, and several of the nations of the world.

While the ultimate responsibility for the 2003-2004 stewardship of this body has been mine, the major decisions have been shared as a team effort with your line officers. It is my earnest desire that this continue to be a future practice

I thank each of you for the friendship, assistance, advice, and encouragement that you have shared with me during all my years in the Grand Line. I am thankful and deeply appreciative of the Past Grand Commanders who forged a solid foundation that enabled this Grand Commandery year to move forward in a positive direction. Major decisions have been made concerning drill competition, finance, and Constituent Commanderies. The pledge of allegiance has been added to our opening by a General Order. The "At Large" asylum drill team has been authorized. Selected Sir Knights in positions of trust and responsibility were authorized to wear a distinctive shoulder cord. In particular, the red shoulder cord of the Regional Grand Commander has received a positive and widespread reception. Additionally, the Line Officers have adopted, worn, and presented a distinctive and uniform appearance at functions where the full Commandery uniform or other formal dress is not required.

The presence of Missouri Knights Templar has been seen throughout the state on a continuing basis. The year was distinguished by our presence as an honor guard at the cornerstone ceremony and dedication of the new Masonic Home of Missouri in Columbia. Your Grand Commandery officers, elected and appointed, attended numerous civil and ceremonial functions, including the Grand Sessions of other Missouri Masonic bodies.

The call to duty was answered by Sir Knights in Commanderies throughout the state. They were present in uniform at the Grand Conclave of Grand Encampment, building dedications, cornerstone ceremonies, parades, funerals, civic, and Masonic functions.

Sir Knights of Missouri, you have a right to feel proud. While our numbers continue to grow smaller, a dedicated number of you are standing tall and assuming responsibility for the many. I am encouraged by the presence of many younger members who are stepping forward to serve in any manner asked. Missouri Templar needs and looks to you for tomorrow's leaders. Continue to work together for the common good of our York Rite family. Let each of your decisions, actions and thoughts be pleasing to and directed by your love of God and this fraternity. Your vision is to the future, for the past can only be a guide. Leave footprints that are bold upon the pages of Templar history. Lead with decisions that make a difference.

Words alone are inadequate to say "thank you" to those of you and your ladies who supported, honored and loved me these past years. You always made my lady and I feel welcome. You have opened your homes, your hearts, and your arms with generosity and loving sincerity. You have made this Commandery Year a memorable experience that

will be savored in our memories until we cross to that distant shore. We thank you and ask for your kind remembrances.

NECROLOGY

With each passing of a Sir Knight, we have lost their physical presence. Yet, in their years of service to Templary, they have left a rich tapestry of accomplishments that are now woven into tomorrow's destiny. We walk into tomorrow with the lessons we have learned at their sides, wisdom of their advice, and the memories in the pleasure of their company. May we ever honor and remember them; may the sounds of their names make our heart to smile. Please join with Sir Knight Lewis C. Odneal, our Eminent Grand Prelate as he delivers the necrology service in honor of the valiant and magnanimous Sir Knights that have passed on to that distant shore.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

by Rev. and SK Lewis C. Odneal, Grand Prelate

I heard a voice from heaven, saying to me: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them. *—Revelation 14:13*

This has always been a favorite scripture for me and I find it most meaningful when I think of our Sir Knights who have ceased from labor and have been called to refreshment and rest. The Grand Recorder has recorded 154 during the past year. We have walked close beside many of these Companions and truly, their works do follow them in the heritage they have left behind. Many of us have found the heart of Freemasonry through our fellowship and work with them. We often find ourselves wondering if they would be proud of how we are using what we learned from them and hoping they would approve. I wonder where I would be in Freemasonry if I had not had their guidance and influence.

How like this all of life is. Our Lord expected us to learn from one another and be concerned about one another. He taught that the strong should help the weak and the rich should help the poor that all should benefit from his blessed bounty and no one should hunger or thirst. Haven't I seen in some Masonic work such words, "every human being has a claim upon your kind offices, do good unto all." I have learned more about (More Light) these teachings through the work of some of our Brothers, Companions, and the Sir Knights I have known along this journey, and who now rest from their labors.

May we so live and work that when we are called from labor to refreshment and rest on that final day we may know that we have helped some pilgrim along the way, and someone might even say it was good that he traveled our way.

May the Great Architect of the Universe bless each of our Sir Knights who have answered his final summons. AMEN

CHARITIES

Your continued support is requested for the Holy Land Pilgrimage and the Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund. Missouri did not send a minister to the Holy Land this year as Grand Encampment did not sponsor a trip. Please continue to support these funds and build them to the point that Missouri can send two ministers each year, when

the sponsorship is resumed. Your sponsorship helps to build Templar membership, spread the message of Christianity, and the Eternal Salvation of the Soul provided through a belief in Jesus Christ.

One of our own, Grand Prelate Lewis C. Odneal did travel to the Holy Land this spring. There was considerable discussion on the subject of Missouri Grand Commandery financial assistance. It was determined that because the possibility of an incident could occur, Missouri Templary possessed no insurance to cover the legal costs and payment of any financial determination that might be ruled on by the Courts, because of our sponsorship. Missouri Grand Commandery should determine the procedure that would allow sponsorship of a minister to the Holy Land on an annual basis with the approval of the Sir Knights at Missouri's Grand Session, in the absence of Grand Encampment sponsorship. There are several other organizations that continually sponsor group tours to the Holy Land.

Please remember that the sponsored minister is not required to be a Knight Templar. This provision allows the Templar Christian message to reach others that may not know what we stand for, and may encourage them to join our numbers, or in the least look upon the Missouri Knight Templar with a favorable opinion.

The Missouri Knights Templar Eye Foundation Committee Fund is much less than it should be. Missouri has for several years received Eye Foundation assistance generously in excess, of what we donate. If it was not for the \$3000.00 in interest accrued from Missouri's Eye Foundation Endowment Fund being added to the campaign, it would be an absolute embarrassment to Missouri Templar.

It should also be noted that the Audit Committee reports that no financial statement has been submitted from either of the chairmen of these committees.

While every penny you donate is appreciated, continued support is vitally necessary in the treatment of Eye Disorders and the funding of research. As is usually the case, the few support the many. Some of the most generous contributions come from the smaller Commanderies who take the time and effort to have fund raising events and spread the Templar Light. Please remember, what a wonderful gift sight is and open your hearts and pockets to aid those in need. The Eye Foundation is the primary charity of Missouri Knights Templar.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER

A review of the past ten years "Condition of The Order" or "The State of Templar in Missouri" leaves an impression that we are stuck in a time lock.

From 1993 — "Although we have Commanderies around the state which are struggling, we also have Commanderies that are thriving." "In the case of the struggling Commandery, it is but one or two hardworking and dedicated Sir Knights that are holding the Commandery together." "In the case of the thriving Commandery, most all of the active Sir Knights are working as a team to get things done and because of that effort, no one is overburdened."

From 1994 — "There are areas where Templary is strong, leadership is forceful and effective, and Templary is on the move. But on the other hand, there are areas where Templary is lacking and Templary is on the wane." "There are areas in the state where Templary is a non uniformed body with no ritual." "Many Commanderies had more and more Sir Knights in office who were without uniforms." "Some of our Commanderies frequently do not have a quorum and a few almost never do."

From 1995 — “Our order is suffering from a lack of positive, motivated, and understanding leadership.” “We have serious problems with loss of membership and low attendance. Our largest membership losses are deaths and suspensions. We must pass off on death as that item for which we have very little control. For some reason we also seem to pass off suspensions in a like manner. We talk membership, but generally do little except talk.”

From 2000 — “There are ... Commanderies in the state that are not meeting on a regular basis. In some instances, members are still interested, but they cannot open their own Commandery.” “One Commandery says that they cannot do the work, so they send them through the Scottish Rite. Not once have they asked for help.” “Grand Officers, when elected, you have an obligation to the Grand Commandery.”

From 2001 — “There are many areas where our craft has suffered from long neglect.” “Templary is strongest where the Commanderies still meet in uniform and work at formal openings and closings. This was mostly in the major metropolitan areas.” “I have encouraged every Commandery to try to put a drill team together. Not because the drill is all-important but because it pulls the members together for a common cause and creates camaraderie within their ranks. It also gives younger members a reason to be in their Commandery. Without reason to be there and without cause to be involved and friendship to bring them back, very few will trade their other diversions for what we have to offer. Obviously the answer is to recruit younger members, but the solution requires precisely what we don't have, younger members.”

From 2003 — “The condition of our order is not good.” “We are close to the point where entire regions cannot confer the order. Many of our Commanderies are also dangerously close to a point where they will be unable to field a quorum a sufficient number of times during the year to comply with our bylaws.”

Sir Knights, the past is still the reality of today's condition of the order. Yet, there is indeed cause for optimism. While our ranks have diminished because of deaths and suspensions, we are taking in new and younger Sir Knights. There are numerous Sir Knights still active that are providing the leadership, training and mentoring of these new members. Those of us left have an obligation to replace ourselves in the ranks and to insure the financial stability of our Commanderies. We have sold the York Rite too cheaply over the years and neglected, in many cases, our ritual equipment, and the buildings where we meet. Each of you is dedicated to the cause of York Rite Masonry and to the constituent and Grand Commandery of Missouri. Your presence here today is a statement to that fact. The future of Missouri's Commanderies rests in your hands. No one of you can do all the work needed alone. It requires a team effort of work and use of our accumulated years of wisdom. It requires a proactive leadership in the constituent Commanderies. It requires forward-looking changes in financial planning. It requires a flexible, long-range plan that sets realistic goals for the future. It requires a committed, involved, informed, active, progressive, responsible, and caring line of Grand Commandery Officers. It requires future Grand Line Officers to work together as a team toward a common goal, other than that of becoming a Past Grand Commanders.

Sir Knights of Missouri, you have a lot to be proud of. In every cloud, there is a silver lining. Your numbers provide members to the related Masonic Bodies. Your numbers are still larger than many other states. Your Grand Sessions are conducted in a professional manner that are the envy of and the recipient of numerous compliments from Grand Encampment Officers and members of other state Grand Commanderies. You have a Grand Secretary/Recorder which is second to none. You are privileged to

continue to have printed proceedings in a book form rather than the copy-machine version of several states. You have a responsible Grand Treasurer who provides accountability and financial service far and beyond the enumeration received. Most of all, you have the love of Knights Templar in your heart and soul. Join hands and hearts. Lay aside old grudges. Be for something, instead of against everything. Some changes in the old way of doing business will have to come about if we are to grow in membership or perhaps even survive as a fraternal organization.

APPOINTMENTS

It was my pleasure to appoint the following Grand Officers for the 2003-2004 Templar year:

Lewis C. Odneal	Grand Prelate
Marion W. Dey	Aide-de-Camp
Jacob C. Baird, PGC	Grand Historian
Richard L. Mansfield	Grand Sentinel
John E. Schofield	Grand Organist
Michael J. Moore	Grand Chorister
Loren D. Lloyd	Inner Guard
David A. Lloyd	Inner Guard
David D. Powell	Inner Guard
Clyde F. Bondy, Jr.	Regional Grand Commander, Region 1
Larry T. Odom	Regional Grand Commander, Region 2A
Timothy D. Munday	Regional Grand Commander, Region 2B
Brian J. Densmore	Regional Grand Commander, Region 3A
John W. Gibson	Regional Grand Commander, Region 3B
Harold F. Coots	Regional Grand Commander, Region 4
Harry C. Reed, Jr.	Regional Grand Commander, Region 5
Richard E. Jump	Regional Grand Commander, Region 6
Albert E. Folds	Regional Grand Commander, Region 7A
Gayle D. Bedell	Regional Grand Commander, Region 7B

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

I nominated the following Sir Knights as Grand Representatives from other jurisdictions to the Grand Commandery of Missouri:

Frank R. von Geyso	Alabama
Russell S. Hanson	California
David H. Lewis	Florida
Brian J. Densmore	Georgia
Larry D. Wyatt	Idaho
Marion W. Dey	Michigan
Thomas C. Yunick	Minnesota
William S. Hall	New Mexico
Larry T. Odom	Oregon
Kevin B. Sample	South Dakota

David D. Powell
Clyde F. Bondy

Vermont
Wisconsin

I appointed the following Sir Knights as Grand Representatives of the Grand Commandery of Missouri near Grand Commanderies of other jurisdictions:

Charles A. McCollum
Joseph E. Parnell

Connecticut
South Carolina

GENERAL ORDERS

General Order No. 1, Effective during the 2003-2004 Missouri Templar Year

It is my order that all Missouri Regional Grand Commanders are authorized and required to wear a red shoulder cord on the left shoulder of the Missouri Commandery uniform during the 2003-2004 Missouri Templar year.

It is further ordered that the Aide-de-Camp be authorized and required to wear a silver shoulder cord on the left shoulder of the Missouri Commandery uniform during the 2003-2004 Missouri Templar year.

It is further ordered that the Guards be authorized and required to wear a white shoulder cord on the left shoulder of the Missouri Commandery uniform during the 2003-2004 Missouri Templar year.

General Order No. 2, Effective during the 2003-2004 Missouri Templar Year

It is my order that there be posted in each constituent Commandery:

1. A listing of the current line officers of the constituent Commandery, elected and appointed to include telephone number, email address, and mailing address
2. The date of election and appointment of the constituent Commandery
3. The date the officers of the constituent Commandery were installed
4. The name of the Regional Grand Commander including telephone number, email address, and mailing address
5. The name of the Grand Commandery line officer appointed to serve the constituent Commandery area including telephone number, email address, and mailing address

The listing shall be posted and maintained in a suitable location as to be easily read and available to the membership.

It shall be the duty of the regional grand officer and the Regional Grand Commander to inspect the constituent Commanderies for which they are responsible to insure this order is carried out and report their findings to the Grand Commander.

General Order No. 3

Whereas the Tactics and Manual of Asylum Ceremonies of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri, Section VI. Reception of the United States Colors, outlines the presentation of the Colors prior to the opening of a Commandery of Knights Templar according to the Tactics,

It is therefore my order that the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America be given prior to the opening of a Commandery of Knights Templar. The

following pledge is to be given:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag
of the United States of America
and to the Republic for which it stands,
one nation under God, indivisible,
with liberty and justice for all.

General Order No. 4

Whereas the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri authorizes the opening of a Commandery using the Full Form Opening and the Short Form Opening,

It is my order that Commanderies, having requested in writing from the Grand Commander and received in writing individual authorization, may open their Commandery without swords or uniforms.

This General Order No. 4 will expire at the completion of the term of office of the current Grand Commander.

General Order No. 5

Whereas the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri has customarily conducted Commandery Drill Competition on the day of the Grand Commandery Conclave, and

Whereas the expanding time constraints of the drill competition has affected the conduct of other activities held on that day,

It is my order that the Class "B", Class "C", and Class "At-Large" drill competition will be held on April 17, 2004 in the city of Columbia. The Class "A" drill competition will be held on the day of the Grand Commandery Conclave, May 15, 2004, in Jefferson City, Missouri.

This General Order No. 5 will expire at the completion of the term of office of the current Grand Commander.

General Order No. 6

It is my order that all contributions to Missouri Grand Commandery charities and charitable activities will be forwarded to the Grand Recorder. The Grand Recorder will record the contributions and (1) forward to the Grand Treasurer for deposit in said charity account, or (2) forward to the appropriate committee chairman for follow-up action.

General Order No. 7

It is my order that the following Missouri Knights Templar act as an Independent Audit Committee, responsible for the audit of the financial transactions and accounting methodology for the 2003-2004 Grand Commandery Year:

1. Harold J. Richardson, Chairman
2. George M. Merkle

3. Timothy R. Lehnhoff

Each Independent Audit Committee member shall be entitled to a maximum of \$200.00 for documented and related expenses to include mileage @ \$0.20 per mile, lodging, and meals related to or in the performance of the Audit Committee duties.

Said committee shall be provided complete and unrestricted access to the financial records of the Grand Commandery from both the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder. Any fees involved in obtaining records will be provided for by the Grand Commandery through the Grand Recorder by warrant to the Grand Treasurer.

Said committee shall, upon completion of the audit, submit a finding, oral or written, to the Grand Commander.

Said audit shall be concluded at or as close as possible to the conclusion of the 2004 Grand Conclave, not to exceed 90 days.

Said committee shall submit by personal representation and written report their findings and recommendations at the 2004-2005 Grand Conclave.

General Order No. 8

It is my order that, on or before October 31, 2004, Maryville Commandery No. 40, Coeur de Leon Commandery No. 14, and Boanerges Commandery No. 34 take one of the following actions to avoid the arrest of their individual charters and subsequent loss of membership:

1. Pay all delinquent per capita and other fees due the Grand Commandery, thereby retaining all rights and privileges of a constituent Commandery of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri, or

2. Consolidate its membership with that of another existing Commandery in Missouri. To fulfill this alternative, those Commanderies named above must pay to the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri the per capita tax and Knights Templar Eye Foundation assessment for those members listed on the roles of the Grand Recorder as of December 31, 2003.

Furthermore, the notice of this General Order will be sent by the Grand Recorder to the last known address of each individual member of the listed constituent Commanderies by United States Postal Service, return receipt requested.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

May 20, 2003	Dispensation granted to Liberty Commandery No. 6 to move its June 2, 2003 conclave to June 16, 2003.
December 1, 2003	Dispensation granted to East Gate Commandery No. 70 to move the stated conclave of January 1, 2004 to January 8, 2004.
January 31, 2004	Dispensation granted to Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8 to hold a special election on May 4, 2004 to elect the vacant offices of Captain General and Recorder. Also, granted 30-day extension in which to file annual return due to the death of Recorder Wayne E. Wilson.
February 7, 2004	Dispensation granted to Paschal Commandery No. 32 to open without uniforms or swords pending written request from Recorder of Commandery. (<i>Written request never received.</i>)

CONSOLIDATIONS

On September 4, 2003, St. Charles Commandery No. 73 was consolidated with Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT

The 62nd Triennial Conclave, Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, U.S.A. was held August 15-20, 2003 at the Adam's Mark Hotel, in Saint Louis, Missouri. Missouri was well represented with Sir Knights participating in registration, as honor guards, in the opening ceremonies, and various other duties as required.

It is not an understatement to say that the leadership, the personal involvement, and long hours of labor of several past Grand Commanders and their ladies, made a major contribution to the success of the triennial.

Each Sir Knight and lady who attended and participated has Missouri's heartfelt thanks. Your attendance and your labors provided an image of Missouri dedication to duty, love of Templar, and hospitality that will not be soon forgotten. Grand Master Kenneth Fisher and junior Past Grand Master, William Jackson Jones asked me to again present their sincere appreciation and heartfelt "thank yous" to the Missouri Sir Knights and their ladies whose presence and hard work directly and substantially contributed to the outstanding success of the 62nd triennial.

It is also my privilege to thank the Missouri Sir Knights and ladies who attended, served, and made Missouri proud. You honored Missouri and you honored Missouri Templary. Thank you, thank you, and thank you.

SOUTH CENTRAL DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE

The 2003 South Central Department Conference was held in Oklahoma City on September 13 and 14, 2003. It provided information, leadership training, and an opportunity to interact and discuss Templar policy with the current Grand Encampment Leadership. It was an enjoyable and productive weekend including the renewing of old friendships and meeting Sir Knights from other States.

The Grand Sentinel and I were provided an opportunity to visit the Oklahoma City Bombing Memorial. It was a heart wrenching and sobering experience.

Missouri's Grand Line Leadership was represented by several Past Grand Commanders, the Grand Commander, the Grand Sentinel, the Grand Recorder and two of the three required dais officers.

MASONIC YOUTH

I attended the DeMolay State Conclave, the Job's Daughters Grand Session, and the State Assembly of the Missouri Rainbow for Girls. At each of these assemblies a framed certificate and a medal signifying the honor was presented to the outstanding young man or lady. Additionally, I was privileged to present each organization a check for \$500.00 from the Grand Commandery of Missouri. The full-dress Commandery uniform, the awards, and monetary presentation were well received.

The quality of leadership, enthusiasm, and dedication of the youth of Missouri were inspiring. I came away from each deeply and emotionally impressed. The support of

Missouri's Sir Knights and their ladies is deeply appreciated by the youth and your continued support is vitally necessary. Thank you, to each of you, for the uncounted hours of love, time, and financial support that you give the youth of our MISSOURI MASONIC FAMILY. Your efforts are a labor of true love and your reward is the knowledge that you have been one of the keys that has unlocked the talents and abilities of the youth who will be tomorrow's leaders. You have earned the right to walk proudly into your tomorrows.

VISITATIONS

During the years in line, as an advancing line officer, I visited the majority of Missouri Commanderies. For the Commandery year 2003-2004, individual visits were made on an invitational basis. Each was an enjoyable experience, an opportunity to meet and fellowship with old friends and Missouri's Sir Knights. A particularly noteworthy and enjoyable visit was had with the Knights and ladies at the Commandery Table Lodge sponsored in Liberty by Commandery No. 6.

With the exception of Springfield, I attended all Regional York Rite Conferences. Attendance at the conferences was generally considerably less than it should have been. At one conference, I asked the Sir Knights that were not Past Grand Officers, Grand Officers currently serving on a committee or in an appointed position, to stand up. Three Sir Knights out of approximately thirty stood.

The Regional Conferences may be preaching to the choir, but at the least, they are a method of disseminating information to those who are voices of respect and authority in their areas, did not attend the Grand Session, do not have access to a computer or may have overlooked the information in the Knight Templar monthly "Missouri Section".

I represented Missouri Templary at the annual Grand Lodge session of the Grand Lodge of Missouri and the breakfast in St. Louis given to honor Most Worshipful Stanley M. Thompson. Additionally, I attended the Grand Lodge of Missouri Area Meetings where our Commandery presence was received with the Grand Honors. The Grand Lodge of Missouri has taken bold and progressive measures to unify support and build membership in all Missouri Masonic Bodies. They have opened the Blue Lodge doors to aid in our membership retention and recruitment. May we use the opportunity to bring new members into our York Rite fraternity.

Out-of-state visits included the Grand Commandery of Arkansas, the Grand Commandery of Illinois, the Grand Encampment Easter Sunrise service in Washington D.C., and the South Central Department Conference. *(A complete listing of visits is on file with the Grand Recorder and will not be listed herein.)*

RECOMMENDATIONS

A review of the past several years' recommendations leaves me with the feeling that we are not going anywhere very fast. During this Commandery year, a few of the past recommendations have been implemented but we still are sadly lacking in a long-term plan to do much of anything. It is difficult to always maintain a positive tone and put a smile on everything. The facts are, I could have and should have done more in the Line Officer years. A lot more could be accomplished with the commitment of Officers, elected, and appointed. A smile and a positive attitude are always important. If one has had a crippling-to-fatal disease that is treatable and chooses to ignore it, the

smiles and positive attitude with no action would end in an untimely and unnecessary death. It is time that we come together in a positive manner and attempt to map out the future. We are a volunteer organization and no one likes to be told what to do. That aside, we are also committed to the causes of Fraternal York Rite and Christian Masonry. Progress requires time, money, commitment, vision, and leadership. The recommendations listed below are but a portion of my original list. There remain many good, reasonable, and obtainable recommendations in the past ten-plus years' proceedings. No one can do it all. We each can do a little. Together, we can accomplish the seemingly impossible.

1. That the Grand Officers show a larger degree of interest in the activities of the Grand Commandery by remaining aware of and attending called formations. The Grand Commander cannot fulfill his duties without their active support. Grand Officers should attend, in uniform, all Commandery degree work, as a minimum, in the area surrounding where they reside.
2. That the Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery continue to work together to streamline the Grand York Rite Session. All reasonable ideas should be considered to unify and streamline the Grand Sessions.
3. That the Ritual Committee modify the by-laws to allow individual Commanderies to utilize a uniform consisting of black trousers, black shoes, black tie and white shirt in opening Commanderies at stated meetings. It is a fact that less than five percent of Missouri Sir Knights own or have ready access to a complete Templar uniform. If Missouri and Grand Encampment by-laws were enforced, there is not one Commandery that could remain open. Almost everyone has the ability to attend meetings in the suggested dress. This would be a major step toward encouragement of pride in appearance and the utilization of the proper format in opening and closing the Commanderies.
4. That all monies coming into the Grand Commandery be receipted for by the Grand Recorder.
5. That a complete inventory of equipment and property belonging to the Grand York Rite be annually conducted; that the inventory/audit be made a portion of the annual report.
6. That a Long Range Planning Committee be established with varying terms of office; that a two-year, four-year, and nine-year plan be designed, reviewed, and updated semiannually, and presented at each Grand Session.
7. That the Grand Commandery work with the Masonic Home Board and the Grand Lodge of Missouri to obtain an agreement on the storage/utilization of library space for the preservation of historic materials in the Masonic Home Complex.
8. That the Grand Commandery work with the other York Rite bodies, the Masonic Home Board and the Grand Lodge of Missouri to implement a future plan to move the Grand Recorder/Secretary's offices to the Masonic Complex basement.
9. That immediate steps be taken to move York Rite records to an environment-controlled location from the current storage shed.
10. That an "At Large" Commandery be established with the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer acting as Recorder and Treasurer. The purpose and function would be to give Missouri Sir Knights a "Home of Record" to remain or become a Sir Knight when there is no viable Commandery within a reasonable commuting distance. It is to be expected that the next ten years will see many of the smaller and rural

Commanderies close or attempt to consolidate. The “At Large Commandery” will give a home of record to those in need.

11. That “Outpost” Commanderies be established for Commanderies that are able to minimally function and wish to retain their name, number, and presence at their current location. Guidelines are available from several of our sister state Grand Commanderies.
12. That the Eye Foundation Committee be disbanded and the Line Officers, Grand Recorder, and Grand Treasurer assume the duties and accountability responsibilities.
13. That the red shoulder cords for Regional Grand Commanders be approved by the appropriate committees. The “cords” set them apart from the rank and file, as they should be. The responsibility they carry and the duty they perform make them more important to Missouri Templary than several of the Line Officer positions.
14. That the current “Line Officer” election procedures and terms of office be reviewed and modified. Consistent quality/trainable, leaders must continually be elected.
15. That a “report card” be issued for each Grand Officer below the rank of Deputy Grand Commander. The report card reflecting activities attended and mandatory and assigned duties performed would assist in the election of committed Line Officers.
16. That the current “Election” ballot be modified to an understandable format. The truth is many Sir Knights find it difficult to use the first ballot particularly if they want to replace someone in the current line.
17. That Sir Knights be allowed to voice their desire to be nominated for election to an advancing line position.
18. That Sir Knights nominated for an advancing position be allowed to be recognized by the membership at the time of nomination acceptance.
19. That the recommendations of the 2003-2004 Audit Committee be implemented.

MOTTO

My battle cry this year was “Five High”. This “battle cry” will remind each of us who and what we are, if we will use it. It is a composite of five of the elements that make us a family in the Masonic fraternity and Christian Knights.

The “High” refers to the raised hand, palm-out position of your right hand in portions of the Commandery orders. The “Five” are the individual digits of that hand, each finger acting as a symbolic reminder of the elements of Faith, Forgiveness, Fortitude, Friendship, and Family.

FAITH: This is from faith to family—from family to faith. The Alpha and the Omega—the beginning and the end. Our fate was sealed with a libation in which we expressed our belief in the immortality of the soul. Upon this belief is based everything that we stand for. The faith that carries us through clouds of doubt and the vicissitudes of daily life that falls on our shoulders. It is faith that allows us to walk unafraid into each tomorrow. Let us not falter or fail, but rather let us symbolically wield our sword in the upraised hand, proudly renewing and sharing our faith with the world and with each other.

FORGIVENESS: Such a powerful word! A word easily used and misused in our everyday lives. As Knights Templar, we are bound by a vow that was freely taken. When asked by the Commander, “What declaration have you to make in testimony of our fitness to become a Knight among us?” did we not declare in truth and soberness that we

entertained no enmity nor ill will against a soul on earth, which we would not freely reconcile, finding them in a corresponding disposition? Sir Knights, I would remind each of us of that vow. It is so often obvious to our ladies and others whose lives touch ours that we often forget our vow or do not practice it in our daily lives. I have seen the result and felt the shame and heartfelt hurt of that neglect in the actions of Sir Knights in some of the appendant bodies to which many of us belong. As our Lord Jesus Christ forgave those who trespassed against him, we should do no less than to emulate His example. Our fraternity needs a full measure of forgiveness in each of our hearts and actions.

FORTITUDE: "Fortitude" [Fr.; L. fortitude <fortis, strong]. The courage that permits one to endure, patiently, misfortune, pain and the vicissitudes of life. An obstinate sort of courage that refuses to succumb under any circumstances. A personality trait that is worthy of cultivation. A trait that is learned and reinforced by life's experiences and one's own commitment to a particular way of life, belief, or faith. Each of you, have exhibited fortitude, in your commitment to the York Rite way of life. Each of you has faced daunting obstacles in supporting Masonry and in melding your personal and family needs. You have been challenged to regularly attend meetings, to find Sir Knights to fill local offices, to meet the Commandery's financial obligations or to work with personal agendas. It will continue to take fortitude to meet head on, the challenges of declining membership and the losses of ritual proficiency with the passing of our aged Sir Knights. It will take fortitude to find solutions in paying your Commandery's share of the cost in meeting places and in maintaining or purchasing ritual equipment. It will take fortitude to overcome the deficit budgets in our Grand Body, the aging equipment in the Grand Recorders office and the meager salaries that are paid to our Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer. You displayed fortitude at the 2002-2003 Grand Session when you stood fast, and voted for the raise in per capita, effective with 2003 assessment. That should give the Grand Commandery two years of maintaining the status quo. As your Grand Commander, it is my duty to lead, to direct, and to guide the Grand Body and the constituent Commanderies in a manner that will insure their continued existence into the future. Where do we go from here? A long-term planning committee has been appointed to take a hard, no nonsense, look at where we are now and where we need to be in three, five, and ten years. A committee has been appointed to determine a course of action concerning some of our smaller and failing Commanderies. Rather than consolidate them, we hope to find a solution that will allow them to maintain their Charters and continue to function as an Outpost Commandery. Changes are in the works in Commandery Ritual Drill, to include adding "At Large" drill teams and a drill workshop. A "York Rite" historical and informational display is in the planning stages for the new Masonic Home Offices on Hwy 63 North of Columbia, Missouri. Active efforts are being taken to locate the Charter for the Grand Commandery that has been misplaced in the movements of the Grand Recorder's offices over the past years. If not located within a reasonable time, steps will be taken to replace it. Grand Officers and Regional Grand Commanders will be accessible to each of you by telephone, e-mail, personal correspondence and by visits, official and otherwise. For our time to be spent wisely on your behalf, we ask for and must have your support, assistance, and advice. As Grand Officers, we serve you. You have our ear to hear your difficulties, to share your joys and to listen to and apply your advice. "Fortitude" Sir Knights. Let us stand fast and shoulder-to-shoulder. What we have is worth being flexible in our agendas, worth giving extra time to, worth giving up a personal luxury for, worth working to insure financial stability of your Commandery and your Grand Commandery. No one can do it all: We

each can do something: Together, we can accomplish the unbelievable.

FRIENDSHIP: A description of a state of being; a condition or relation of being friends; a person who one knows, likes and trusts; a favored companion; one with whom one is allied in a struggle or cause; one who supports, sympathizes with, or patronizes a cause or movement. "Friendship," a word that defies a single definition. Yet, it has a personal definition to each of us in our relationships, both personal and fraternal. We might agree that after our personal survival needs are satisfied, the need for friendship is exceeded only by the need for love. "Friendship," say the word aloud. Roll it off your tongue; savor the sound and feel its personal meaning in your soul where its value is more precious than gold. Truly, it is intangible, without price. It cannot be bought, sold, or exchanged. As Knights Templar, we share fraternal friendship. It is hearing your name spoken, being greeted with a warm smile, and a clasping of hands. It is seeing familiar faces, sharing meals, working together in degree and ritual work. It is the joy we feel when a friend receives honors and preferment. It is respect for a Sir Knight's view and opinions, even when they differ in the extreme from ours. It is a condition that bridges individual social and financial standings, allowing us to share values, and to learn from each other. "Friendship," a state of condition or being that is slow in maturing, yet so easily and quickly damaged or destroyed with personal actions or poorly chosen words. As Knights Templar, we are united in the cause of Christian Masonry. By definition, that makes every Sir Knight our friend. It requires that we treat each other with the respect that one friend freely gives another. We pledged to walk forty miles without shoes to aid another Sir Knight. Yet, how often have we spoken in a disparaging manner of another Sir Knight or allowed others in our presence to do so? Are all our actions and words extended in the manner that we would expect to give and receive as friends? The mirror is so unkind. I fear that as men, we have erred. The face we see is not the one that has freely taken numerous vows, vows that make each and every one who has taken the same vows a friend. May each of us search our souls and step into tomorrow with the determination that our actions and words reflect our love for the York Rite, our desire to share that love, to see our fraternity grow, and to spread Christian Masonry's light. That determination and sense of purpose requires that we work together as friends.

FAMILY: The most fundamental social group in mankind; a group of like things having a common source or similar features; a special or particular world of something: fellowship. A physical state of being that humanity holds equally sacred as faith and love. Humanity's *raison-d'être*. Sir Knights, fraternally, we are all family. Brothers all! From family to faith. Faith to family. The alpha and the omega that give us the fortitude to face tomorrow. The Grand Commandery message this Templar year is "FIVE HIGH." It is my hope that each of you will carry that message in your hearts. That each of us will give to the other as we would like and expect to be given to in our personal biological and legal family. If a member of your family grieves, will you not comfort them? If one is hungry, will you not seat them at your table? If one acts and speaks from an impoverished heart, will you not forgive them? If one has fallen and needs a hand to rise, will you not extend yours? Family: a concept taught from the first lesson in Freemasonry, to the vows as a Knight Templar. As we bow our heads in adoration of our Savior and Heavenly Father, let us join hands as brothers. Take your brother's hand in yours, both physically and metaphorically. Search out the brother lost or left behind. Greet each other as friends, family, and brothers. Strengthen and extend our family by regular attendance at stated meetings. Two can make a circle, but the 6,139 of us make a

circle encompassing a vast reservoir of knowledge, values, beliefs, and abilities. No one can do it all; together we can accomplish the impossible. Let our circle be unbroken.

Matthew 7:9-10: Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will you give him a serpent?

CONCLUSION

Thank you again for electing me to this highly honored position of Grand Commander. I have attempted to work faithfully to represent the State of Missouri and to fulfill the inherent obligations of the office. It has been a challenging year, filled with opportunities and learning experiences. Some decisions have been made that were good. Some have been made, that, in looking back, would probably have been best not made. The intention was to do no harm, yet to leave this Grand Commandery with another solid stepping-stone into the future. May the tomorrows prove that assessment correct.

A review of the Missouri Supplement in the monthly Knight Templar magazine will give a good overview of where I had hoped to go and where we ended. A year may feel like a lifetime and it is too short of duration to accomplish many of the objectives that were envisioned. Their completion, revision, or abandonment is in your hands and those of the continuing line of elected officers.

Several committees did not function at all or as intended. Some excellent choices were made in appointments and some were made that were not in the best interest of the Missouri York Rite. Many officers, elected and appointed upheld the commitment they voluntarily made upon accepting the position. Several were never heard from or were minimally involved throughout the year. To the many of you who gave so much, I am grateful beyond expression. I thank you and Missouri Templary thanks you.

I say "thank you" to Sir Knight Robert H. Bray for his design and donation of the new Grand Commandery altar cloth. We will use it with pride and honor for many years to come. We all owe him a debt of gratitude for his design of the new Honor Commandery Award Medallion and financial contribution. We also owe Oriental Commandery No. 35 for their financial contribution to the purchase of the new medallion.

The Regional Grand Commanders were a tremendous strength in supporting and representing the Grand Commandery. Each is a credit to the region represented and I thank them for their sincere hard work and continued cooperation.

As the Grand Commander, there is cause to depend on many people. I thank the Line Officers for their support and participation. I sincerely hope in the future that the full line of officers will remain involved in the planning and activities of this Grand Commandery. IN THE FUTURE, WE WILL ALL WALK IN YOUR SHADOWS. Plan well so that the shadow may be long, straight, and wide.

To the three Officers who were indispensable: the Grand Recorder, Kevin B. Sample, the Grand Treasurer, Donald L. Trabue and the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee, Robert W. Schlichter, without you the entire year would have been impossible. Without you, nothing of consequence would have been accomplished. Without you, the title of Grand Commander would have been an empty echo. Gentlemen, I truly know of the countless hours you have given this Grand Commandery. I recognize your love of and unfailing commitment to the good of the order. This has not been my Commandery year, it has been yours. Your actions and hard work are ever to be enshrined in the proceedings of the 2003-2004 Commandery Year. For all of Missouri

Knights Templar, I thank you and recognize our debt to you.

To Richard L. Mansfield, the Grand Sentinel, who was also known as "The Grand Driver," my Lady Christopher and I will be forever appreciative of you for your companionship and careful driving that carried us thousands of miles in the service of Missouri's Sir Knights. The time and effort you and your Lady Becky committed by accompanying us to the Easter Sunrise Service in Washington D.C. doubled Missouri's attendance at this august event to four.

My special, heartfelt, and never-to-be-forgotten thank you goes to my Aide-de-Camp, Marion W. Dey and Lady Alberta. Their home was my and my lady's home these past years as Regional Grand Commander, as Commandery Line Officer and particularly so as Grand Commander this year. Because of them, I was able to serve the Missouri Knight Templar from North to South, East to West, wherever there was cause to be.

I thank each of you again for the many courtesies and friendly receptions in your Commanderies, and in your homes. Wherever we met, you respected the office of Grand Commander and were ever concerned for the welfare of my lady and myself. Missouri Sir Knights are gentlemen and their ladies gracious and kind. You truly make me proud that I am a Mason and a Knight Templar.

Lastly, I thank my Lady Christopher for her support over the many past years. She was always willing to be there for me when asked, or knew her presence was needed or required. The love, the care, the encouragement that she gave me is priceless and the sharing of the past years has expanded our horizons and strengthened our relationship. I would not have wanted to walk this path without her at my side.

"Five High"

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Chester Yunick, Grand Commander, 2003-2004

SK Stienmetz assumed the East. It was moved and seconded that the report of the Grand Commander be accepted and referred to the necessary committees for appropriate action.

Report Accepted, May 15, 2004

COMMUNICATIONS

The Grand Recorder acknowledged receipt of a number of communications from other jurisdictions and some of our own Past Grand Commanders wishing the Grand Commander well, congratulations on a very successful year, and a very enjoyable and successful Grand Session. Of special interest are reports of sickness of RESK James H. Cockerham, RESK Robert L. Hudson, and RESK Marvin L. Painter.

APPROVAL OF PROCEEDINGS

The Grand Recorder moved and it was seconded to accept the proceedings of the 2003 Annual Conclave as printed and distributed subject to such necessary corrections to be published in the 2004 proceedings.

Motion approved, May 15, 2004

The Grand Recorder moved that the several reports recorded in the 2004 preliminary proceedings be approved as printed and distributed, with the exception of Templar Jurisprudence and Finance.

Motion approved, May 15, 2004

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER

April 21, 2003 through May 31, 2004

SIR KNIGHTS: All funds are invested in banking institutions in Jefferson City. All accounts are interest bearing, with no service charges, and with amounts being maintained at less than \$100,000 in any one banking institution.

I present herewith my report of the receipts, disbursements, and the financial condition of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of the State of Missouri for the fiscal year, April 21, 2003 through May 31, 2004.

GENERAL FUND

Total Assets, April 21, 2003		\$142,955.09
Receipts: Grand Recorder, etc.	\$ 80,046.87	
Interest Earned	<u>6,602.93</u>	
Total Receipts:	\$ 86,649.80	
Disbursements: Jefferson Act. #59336-Checks 1274 thru 1326	\$ 30,443.44	
Jefferson Act. #74544-Checks 1248 thru 1483	39,378.96	
Jefferson Act. #74325-Checks 1076 thru 1129	2,181.70	
Jefferson Act. #463996 – Debits	<u>938.63</u>	
Total Disbursements:	\$ 72,942.73	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:		<u>13,707.07</u>
Balance, General Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 156,662.16

Statement of Assets – General Fund

C.D. #6660401223, Union Planters-Jefferson City, 4.50%, Matures 4/15/05	\$ 19,657.91
C.D. #6147, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 2.55%, Matures 5/3/05	16,409.79
C.D. 98061, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 2.35%, Matures 4/28/06	16,000.00
C.D. #6148, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 3.25%, Matures 5/3/06	12,390.95
C.D. #98148, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 2.35%, Matures 5/11/06	6,000.00
C.D. #6660401224, Union Planters-Jefferson City, 5.25%, Matures 4/15/07	17,725.63
C.D. #98147, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 3.56%, Matures 5/11/07	15,000.00
Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.90%	42,291.60
Business Investment Act. #339687, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%	10,000.00
Interest Checking Act. #59336, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25%	530.02
Interest Checking Act. #74544, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25%	494.54
Interest Checking Act. #74325, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25%	<u>161.72</u>
Total Assets, General Fund, May 31, 2004	\$156,662.16

ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP

Total Assets, April 21, 2003		\$ 31,405.93
Receipts: Memberships (34)	\$ 17,000.00	
Endowed Membership Donation	58.27	
Interest Earned	<u>853.83</u>	
Total Receipts:	\$ 17,912.10	
Disbursements: 2002 Earnings Distribution	\$ 1,223.67	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements		<u>\$ 16,688.43</u>
Balance, Endowed Membership Fund, April 15, 2004		\$ 48,094.36

Statement of Assets – Life Membership Fund

C.D. #6100, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 2.45%, Matures 3/6/05	\$ 18,442.62	
C.D. #6101, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 3.15%, Matures 3/6/06	12,378.62	
C.D. #98063, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 2.35%, Matures 4/28/06	10,000.00	
C.D. #98064, Jefferson Bank – Jefferson City, 3.05%, Matures 4/27/07	6,000.00	
Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.90%	<u>1,273.12</u>	
Total Assets, Life Membership Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 48,094.36

RETIREMENT FUND

Total Assets, April 21, 2003		\$ 81,563.60
Receipts: Interest Earned	\$ 2,733.93	
Disbursements	\$ 0.00	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements		<u>\$ 2,733.93</u>
Balance, Retirement Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 84,297.53

Statement of Assets – Retirement Fund

C.D. #179755, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 2.40%, Matures 2/18/05	\$ 50,408.44	
C.D. #179756, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 3.10%, Matures 2/18/06	33,889.09	
Total Assets, Retirement Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 84,297.53

TRIENNIAL ENDOWMENT FUND

Total Assets, April 21, 2003		\$ 20,000.00
Receipts: Interest Earned	\$ 652.96	
Disbursements: Interest Earned – Transferred to Triennial Fund	\$ 652.96	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:		<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Balance, Triennial Endowment Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 20,000.00

Statement of Assets – Triennial Endowment Fund

C.D. #6178, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 3.00%, Matures 7/15/06	\$ 20,000.00	
Total Assets, Triennial Endowment Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 20,000.00

TRIENNIAL FUND

Total Assets, April 21, 2003		\$ 3,998.28
Receipts: By appropriation from General Fund	\$ 561.30	
Account Interest Earned	17.00	
Interest from Triennial Endowment Fund	<u>652.96</u>	
Total Receipts	\$ 1,231.26	
Disbursements: Triennial Reimbursements	\$ 4,142.41	
Transfer to General Fund (Order of Gr. Cmdr.)	<u>622.79</u>	
Total Disbursements:	\$ 4,765.20	
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts		<u>\$ (3,533.94)</u>
Balance, Triennial Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 464.34

Statement of Assets – Triennial Fund

C.D. #4725, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 3.60%, Matures 7/15/06	\$ 450.88	
Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.90%	<u>13.46</u>	
Total Assets, Triennial Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 464.34

MISSOURI KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION COMMITTEE FUND

Total Assets, April 21, 2003		\$ 77,174.31
Receipts: Interest earned	\$ 2,410.85	
Misc. Contributions	<u>1,179.33</u>	
Total Receipts:	\$ 3,590.18	
Disbursements: L. Monken, Chairman-Eye Foundation Committee	\$ 3,084.33	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements		<u>\$ 505.85</u>
Balance, Missouri Knights Templar Eye Foundation Committee Fund, May 31		\$ 77,680.16

Statement of Assets – Missouri Knights Templar Eye Foundation Committee Fund

C.D. #3004663, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 2.40%, Matures 1/7/05	\$ 12,584.72	
C.D. #3005933, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 3.25%, Matures 1/7/06	32,619.58	
C.D. #3005234, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 3.30%, Matures 2/27/04	31,637.97	
Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.90%	<u>837.89</u>	
Total Assets, Missouri Knights Templar Eye Foundation Committee Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 77,680.16

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE ENDOWMENT FUND

Total Assets, April 21, 2003		\$ 29,157.03
Receipts: Various Donations	\$ 3,523.35	
Interest Earned	<u>1,529.35</u>	
Total Receipts	\$ 5,052.70	
Disbursements: Interest Earned – Transferred to Holy Land Pilgrimage Operating Fund	\$ 1,529.35	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements		<u>\$ 3,523.35</u>
Balance, Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 32,680.38

Statement of Assets – Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund

C.D. #1675, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 2.15%, Matures 11/9/04	\$10,000.00	
C.D. #179757, Central Bank – Jefferson City, 2.40%, Matures 2/18/05	5,298.59	
C.D. #6660401225, Union Planters-Jefferson City, 4.50%, Matures 4/15/05	9,000.00	
C.D. #6201, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 2.20%, Matures 9/19/05	7,197.25	
Money Market Plus, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 0.75%	<u>1,184.54</u>	
Total Assets, Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 32,680.38

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE OPERATING FUND

Total Assets, April 21, 2003		\$ 4,854.12
Receipts: Various Donations	\$ 256.20	
Interest Earned	29.79	
Interest from Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund	<u>1,529.35</u>	
Total Receipts:	\$ 1,815.34	
Disbursements:	\$ 0.00	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:		<u>\$ 1,815.34</u>
Balance, Holy Land Pilgrimage Operating Fund, May 31, 2004		\$ 6,669.46

Statement of Assets – Holy Land Pilgrimage Operating Fund

C.D. #1675, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 2.15%, Matures 11/9/04	\$ 215.31
C.D. #179757, Central Bank – Jefferson City, 2.40%, Matures 2/18/05	158.98
C.D. #6660401225, Union Planters-Jefferson City, 4.50%, Matures 4/15/05	828.96
C.D. #6201, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 2.20%, Matures 9/19/05	78.45
Money Market Plus, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 0.75%	<u>5,387.76</u>
Total Assets, Holy Land Pilgrimage Operating Fund, May 31, 2004	\$ 6,669.46
Total Assets, All Funds, May 31, 2004	\$426,548.39

Fraternally submitted,
Donald L. Trabue, Grand Treasurer

REPORTS OF GRAND RECORDER**SUMMARY**

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights, the membership records are getting closer to those reported by Commandery Recorders. Our records differ from recorders by about 89. Many Recorders are still not providing us with accurate membership records—meaning that they do not have them themselves. Joyce is working with them each and every day to try to get these numbers together. It is extremely important that Recorders keep accurate records of their membership to include full names, addresses, phone numbers; degree dates (all of them, not just the Order of the Temple, and keep up with suspensions and reinstatements, dimitts, etc. It is also extremely important that they report any changes in their membership monthly on the Commandery Monthly Reports, not just during the annual return.

There is a situation with the membership database hired to be developed for the Grand York Rite. The vendor hired has refused to provide us with the application developed, work with us to move the membership records over, and has gone out of business. Legal action is taking place at this time.

At the time of this communication, we are still waiting on annual returns from Cour de Leon No. 14, Boanerges No. 34, Maryville No. 40, and Westport No. 68. The Recorder of Westport has had health problems and was given an extension.

Eight annual reports were late this year, the last being received on April 1. The continued tardiness of these reports makes it impossible for us to provide the membership numbers needed to develop budgets and long-range goals for the Grand Commandery. Commandery Commanders, Regional Grand Commanders, and the Grand Officers are now being informed of these delinquencies.

Liberty Commandery No. 6 has still refused to pay late fees for 2000, 2001, and 2002, now totaling over \$400.00. All other Commanderies are working with this office to complete their annual return fees.

The reports on Commandery audits and bonds can be found in the tabular statements of Commanderies. Annual audits are good for the most part, but some chapters simply refuse to complete the annual audit. Commandery reports still identify that monies of the Commanderies are not deposited in accounts with at least two signatures.

General information about the York Rite and the publication of the proceedings can be found in the Report of the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter.

Joyce and I thank the Right Eminent Grand Commander, and all the grand officers and members of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri for a most enjoyable and productive year. It has been a distinct pleasure to work with Grand Commander Yunick and his lady Christopher. We also thank Teddie Harrison for his continued support of this office in his donation of paper; and a very special word of thanks goes to Paul Cannon who has so graciously given of his time and money to volunteer in the office and assist with a great many things in the day to day operations of the Grand York Rite. We thank all those who volunteer their time to help with the Grand York Rite Session—we could not do it without them. We all look forward to working with each and every one in the future.

SUPPLEMENTAL

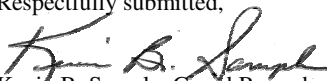
SECRETARY/RECORDER CONFERENCE AND TRAINING

(See report of the Grand Secretary on page 25 of these Proceedings.)

APPRECIATION

(See report of the Grand Secretary on page 26 of these Proceedings.)

Respectfully submitted,


Kevin B. Sample, Grand Recorder



STATISTICS

(As of April 1, 2004)

Number of Chartered Commanderies	46
Number of Members, December 31, 2002	5609
Number Knighted	79
Number Affiliated	47
Number Reinstated	42
Total Gains	168
Number Dimitted	91
Number Suspended By Commandery NPD	184
Number Suspended by Lodge, Chapter or Council	126
Number Expelled	0
Number Died	189
Total Losses	590
Total Members, December 31, 2003	5187
Net Loss	557

CERTIFICATES

2003-2004 Commandery 40-year Certificates Issued

Name	Commandery	No.	Knighted	Issued
Mitchem, Marion E.	O'Sullivan	15	1-Jun-63	30-May-03
Melton, Kenneth William	Rolla	59	20-May-63	11-Jun-03
Stahlman, James Monroe	Rolla	59	26-Nov-62	11-Jun-03
Burton, Edward Davis	Rolla	59	25-Nov-63	15-Sep-03
Melton, Marvin W.	Rolla	59	2-Dec-63	15-Sep-03
Wall, William Wilson	Rolla	59	2-Dec-63	15-Sep-03
Bracht, Herbert L.	Crusade	23	27-Feb-63	22-Sep-03
Grove, Ronald Wayne	Crusade	23	28-Apr-61	22-Sep-03
Keith, Bobby Gene	Crusade	23	7-May-62	22-Sep-03
Houdeshell, D. Ralph	O'Sullivan	15	9-Nov-63	16-Oct-03
Houdeshell, William L.	O'Sullivan	15	9-Nov-63	16-Oct-03
Delmont, Richard	Palestine	17	3-Nov-61	31-Dec-03
Gill, Joseph	Palestine	17	29-Apr-61	31-Dec-03
Hess, Jerry N.	Palestine	17	18-Nov-61	31-Dec-03
Lee, Larry	Palestine	17	17-Nov-60	31-Dec-03
Noland, Thomas S.	Palestine	17	3-Nov-61	31-Dec-03
Silvers, Eugene	Palestine	17	2-Nov-62	31-Dec-03
St. Clair, Alvin Edgar	Palestine	17	18-Nov-61	31-Dec-03
Davis, Harold V.	Albany	60	10-May-57	8-Jan-04
Lykins, Max E.	Albany	60	18-Apr-62	8-Jan-04
Burnside, John W.	Navarre	45	11-May-64	5-May-04

2003-2004 Commandery 50-year Certificates Issued

Name	Commandery	No.	Knighted	Issued
Taylor, Jack E.	Poplar Bluff	67	14-Jul-53	16-Jun-03
Brentlinger, Merle Dean	Crusade	23	28-Oct-52	22-Sep-03
Cardwell, Charles John	Crusade	23	10-Dec-52	22-Sep-03
Deeker, Marvin William	Crusade	23	22-Jan-52	22-Sep-03
Dowling, Donald Vear	Crusade	23	10-Dec-52	22-Sep-03
Dowling, Kerry Norman	Crusade	23	10-Dec-52	22-Sep-03
Holtman, John Beckley	Crusade	23	19-Jul-51	22-Sep-03
Lindsay, Carey Eugene	Crusade	23	30-Apr-49	22-Sep-03
McKitterick, James A.	Crusade	23	22-Jan-52	22-Sep-03
Meador, Bil J.	Crusade	23	28-Mar-52	22-Sep-03
Oliver, John Frederick	Crusade	23	28-Oct-52	22-Sep-03
Boyd, Charles H.	O'Sullivan	15	23-Nov-53	16-Oct-03
Sandusky, R. Rex	Westport	68	14-Dec-53	29-Oct-03
Baker, Sam Willis	DeMolay	3	29-Nov-49	28-Nov-03
Bradley, Newton Richard	DeMolay	3	3-May-51	28-Nov-03
Carver, Hubert E.	DeMolay	3	3-Oct-44	28-Nov-03
Mason, Frank H.	DeMolay	3	20-Nov-52	28-Nov-03
Morrow, James Ernest	DeMolay	3	21-May-47	28-Nov-03
Pollard, Dale T.	DeMolay	3	20-Nov-52	28-Nov-03
Pollard, John J. (64 yrs)	DeMolay	3	14-Mar-39	28-Nov-03
Kling, Jr., G. Fred	Albany	60	31-May-48	8-Jan-04
Patton, John M.	Albany	60	31-May-45	8-Jan-04
Jones, Ray F.	Hugh de Payens	4	31-Oct-49	2-Feb-04
Gillespie, George Thomas	Albany	60	14-Apr-54	30-Mar-04

2003-2004 COMMANDERY ENDOWED MEMBERSHIPS

No.	Sir Knight	Commandery	No.	Date Issued
63	Newman, Donald J.	Ivanhoe	8	29-May-03
64	Treece, Donald C.	Ely	22	20-Sep-03
65	Blue, Clifford B.	Ely	22	20-Sep-03
66	Unruh, LeRoy D.	DeSoto	56	10-Oct-03
67	Slone, Gentry E.	DeMolay	3	14-Nov-03
68	Catalina, Frank W.	Prince of Peace	29	19-Dec-03
69	Tharp, Edward L.	Rolla	59	8-Jan-04
70	Payne, William D.	St. Graal	12	23-Feb-04
71	Hanson, Russell S.	St. Graal	12	23-Feb-04
72	Mier, William W.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
73	Wing, Jr., Logan E.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
74	Wing, III, Logan E.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
75	Wood, Jr., Ronald E.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
76	Williams, James M.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
77	Bowser, William J.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
78	Seevers, J B	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
79	Tatum, William F.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
80	Bireline, Frank R.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
81	Cates, Patrick R.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
82	Colvin, Edward L.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
83	Mull, Donald D.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
84	Henson, Carroll E.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
85	Rethemeyer, Gene A.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
86	Sutherland, Delmar	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
87	Jefferies, Norman C.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
88	Vogel, Harry W.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
89	Waller, Lloyd F.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
90	Fox, L. Lowell	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
91	Hall, Scott C.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
92	Hogan, Robert L.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
93	Koerner, Wendell E.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
94	Roberts, James M.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
95	Steidel, George C.	Hugh de Payens	4	8-Mar-04
96	Hall, William S.	East Gate	70	13-May-04

(Since no committee exists in the Grand Commandery, this report is herewith submitted as part of the Grand Recorder's reports.)

RECAPITULATION

Income	Budgeted	Actual	Balance
Per Capita, Membership 5,120 @ \$10.80	\$ 55,296.00	\$ 56,972.15	1,676.15
Knighting Fees, 50 @ \$10.00	500.00	950.00	450.00
Eye Foundation	5,250.00	5,849.00	599.00
Investments	4,800.00	6,602.93	1,802.93
Miscellaneous	100.00	622.79	522.79
Total	65,946.00	70,996.87	5,050.87
Expenses			
Grand Commander Expense	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Grand Treasurer Honorarium	500.00	500.00	0.00
Grand Recorder Salary	8,750.00	8,749.98	0.02
Clerical Assistant Salary	8,750.00	8,750.00	0.00
Employment Taxes	1,406.47	1,386.50	19.97
2001 Employment Taxes	221.76	0.00	221.76
Postage	1,300.00	1,605.71	(305.71)
Office Expenses	3,500.00	2,130.73	1,369.27
Office Equipment, Maintenance & Repair	1,400.00	1,155.49	(55.49)
Proceedings	2,112.00	2,136.64	(24.64)
Storage	832.00	832.00	0.00
Past Grand Commander Regalia	250.00	351.50	(81.50)
Triennial Fund, 6,000 @ \$0.10	580.00	518.70	61.30
Drill Committee	1,400.00	1,905.19	(505.19)
Eye Foundation Chairman Expense	100.00	100.00	0.00
Knight Templar Editor Expense	100.00	100.00	0.00
Grand Officer Meeting Expense	500.00	255.82	244.18
Grand Encampment Per Capita, 5870 @ \$3.30	19,107.00	18,522.90	584.10
Eye Foundation	5,250.00	4,612.00	638.00
Annual Conclave	6,000.00	2,112.62	3,887.38
Workshop Expense	250.00	0.00	250.00
Miscellaneous Expense	250.00	73.46	176.54
Audit Expense	250.00	0.00	250.00
Youth Organizations	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Insurance	0.00	119.00	(119.00)
Total	67,309.23	60,698.24	6,610.99
Income	65,946.00	70,996.87	5,050.87
Expenses	67,309.23	60,698.24	6,610.99
Income over Expenses	(1,363.23)	10,298.63	11,661.86

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No.	Commandery	Location	Chartered	EIN	Commander	Generalissimo	Captain General	Recorder
2	Weston	Weston	October 22, 1853	23-7550915	John D. Parsons	James Sackman	Marton Shafer	Joseph H. Collison
3	DeMolay	Lexington	October 5, 1869	43-0160306	Delmar E. Dolhage	Kenneth A. Nadler	Clinton O. Leneke	Mark S. Schroer
4	Hugh de Paynes	St. Joseph	October 7, 1867	23-7135711	George Seidell	Albert Smith	William Maugh	William W. Mier
5	Excelsior	Hannibal	May 16, 1865	43-6031955	Roger McGregor	J. R. Latta	Ben Swann	William W. Shell
6	Liberty	Liberty	May 21, 1866		Frank R. vonGeysso, III	William R. Perry	John E. Schofield	Virgil L. Bailey
7	Emmanuel	Macon	October 8, 1867	43-1875189	Allen L. Vancil	Kenneth L. Hook	Charles E. Ray	Russell D. Kohl
8	Ivonnee	St. Louis	October 8, 1867	43-6064303	Edgar F. Coonrod	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	Richard J. Holmes	Wayne E. Wilson, Jr.
10	Kansas City	Kansas City	October 6, 1868	23-7136544	Michael Lundeen	E. Ross Miller	Yale Turnham	Steven M. Anderson
11	St. Onor	Sedalia	October 5, 1869	43-1092250	Roy D. DeHaven	Hubert R. Butler	Roy E. Talbott	Allen B. Bess
12	St. Graal	Columbia	October 5, 1869	43-6031660	William R. Brantley	Michael L. Wallis	James G. Wade	Russell S. Hanson
14**	Cour de Leon	Brookfield	October 5, 1869					Wayne Boley
15	O'Sullivan	Nevada	October 4, 1870	23-7550926	Floyd G. Eaves	James J. Ogle	Ronald L. Sibley	Gary Jones
16	Ascalon	St. Louis	October 4, 1870	43-0625812	Ronnie E. Green	David H. Lewis	Robert R. Buren	Kevin E. Weaver
17	Palestine	Independence	October 3, 1871	43-6041703	Daniel R. Quesenberry	Matthew L. Quesenberry	Donald R. David	Emerson O. Brown
19	Mary	Warrensburg	October 8, 1872	43-1837227	Thomas Sargent	Lee Winnie	John Pfeffer, II	Glen E. Henness
20	St. John's	Springfield	October 8, 1872	44-0506379	James H. Mercer	Stephen T. Thompson	Eldon L. Cobb	Robert G. Bird
22	Ely	Kirksville	October 7, 1873	43-0258995	David A. Lloyd	Loren D. Lloyd	Randy Sands	William L. Sanders
23	Crusade	Mexico	October 7, 1873	43-0728972	Robert Schmidt	Philip Engel	Stewart Shchar	Jared A. Price
24	Godefroy de Bouillon	Trenton	October 6, 1874		Claude Eckert	Don Peyton	Timothy Munday	Michael J. Moore
25	Tuncred	Moberly	October 6, 1874	43-1129325	James V. Rockenfield	Max L. Borron	Fred F. Suckeen	Frederick J. Suckeen
27	Constantine	Greenfield	October 5, 1875				Marvin J. Woods	C. C. McEnore, III
28	Calvary	Fulton	October 5, 1875		Edward Clawson		J. Clayton Paul	
29	Prince of Peace	Jefferson City	October 7, 1877	23-7550940	Harold F. Coots	Larry D. Wyatt, Sr.	Donald L. Trabue	Robert L. Hudson
31	Jasper	Carthage	October 8, 1878	43-1815493	Christopher C. McEnore, III	Frank A. Stahl	James O. Loomis	Marvin W. Frost
32	Paschal	Chillicothe	May 4, 1880	43-1309200	Bobby R. O'Dell	Timothy D. Munday	Melvin L. Gregg	Bert R. Williams
33	Lebanon	Lebanon	May 3, 1881		Harold J. McClellan	James C. Morgan	Gregory V. Sullivan	Albert E. Folds
34*	Bourneges	Clinton	May 3, 1881	23-7550944				Taylor Bush
35	Oriental	Kansas City	May 3, 1881	44-0316370	Corey B. Huntsucker	Henry M. Semrau	Jimmy R. Douthitt	Kirk McDaniel, Jr.
38	Temple	Fayette	May 3, 1882		Lewis C. Odneal	Willard A. Warford	Robert J. Warford	Robert H. Bray

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No.	Commandery	Location	Chartered	EIN	Commander	Generalissimo	Captain General	Recorder
39	Ascension	Joplin	May 3, 1882		Rodney L. Trimble	Steven G. Ruch	David P. McDaniel	Jack D. Brown
40*	Maryville	Maryville	May 1, 1883					James W. Curran
42	Bethany	Bethany	May 1, 1883	36-8249511	Dan Daniels	Garland Hendren	Richard Hamilton	John E. Thraikill
43	St. Elmo	Bolivar	May 6, 1884	23-7550953	Darrell R. Wooley	Elwayne W. Harris	Glenn D. Stewart	Leland "Pete" Pyle
45	Navarre	Carrollton	May 5, 1885	43-1309218	Frank G. Rea	Travis A. Graham	James R. Miller	John W. Burnside
55	Cape Girardeau	Cape Girardeau	April 22, 1890	51-0245852	Bobby Roloff	Ronnie Cunningham	John G. Frye, Jr.	Cecil O. Blaylock
56	DeSoto	Bonne Terre	April 21, 1891	43-1250091	James L. Woodfin, Jr.	Lee L. Francis	Michael J. Highman	James E. Stavelly
57	Neosho	Neosho	April 24, 1894	23-7189747	LeRoy Baird	Robert C. Randell	Danny F. Angel	Vernon Pogue, Jr.
59	Rolla	Rolla	April 24, 1900	23-7276610	George E. Ormsbey	William C. Woolsey	James D. Smallwood	Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr.
60	Albany	Albany	April 22, 1902	44-6014763	Kenneth Kent	Gary Karnes	Jerry Cook	James B. Gibbany
63	Harve de Grace	Marceline	May 29, 1907		Jerry Black	Edward L. Smith	Bruce Matelovsky	Ivan Buckman
64	St. Amund	Excelsior Springs	May 25, 1910	23-7550969	Jimmy T. Baker	Kenneth R. O'Dell	Ernest J. Wartenbee	Kenneth Foucek
66	Mountain Grove	Mountain Grove	May 29, 1912	23-7550970	John Burton	Arthur A. Whitman	Robert Rogers	E. Joe Slater
67	Poplar Bluff	Poplar Bluff	May 23, 1917	82-0576235	Dimon L. Sansoucie	A. Bryan Thornburgh	D. Duane Davis	Bill A. Humble
68	Westport	Kansas City	May 26, 1920	43-6071587	Roy N. Thomas	Francis W. Benson	Michael R. Lundeen	Chester L. Ellis, Jr.
70	East Gate	Kansas City	May 23, 1923	44-6014554	James C. Rodgers	Orville Newberry	Derek Winner	Robert W. Brizendine
72	Malta	Shelbina	May 9, 1959	43-1178442	Carl W. Lasswell	Kent L. Naughton	Earl W. Orr	Darrell A. Wilham
73	St. Charles (cons w/8 9/4/03)	St. Charles	May 17, 1968	23-7550976				Gerald L. Parris

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No.	Commandery	Election of Officers	Stated Conclaves	Annual Return Received	02 Membership	Knighted	Admitted	Reinstated	Total Gains	Dimitted	SNPD	Other Suspensions	Expelled	Died	Total Losses	Remissions	Endowed Members	Total Year End Membership
2	Weston	4th Thur in Dec	4th Thursday	31-Jan-04	103	1	0	0	1	2	0	14	0	2	18	8	0	86
3	DeMolay	2nd Tues in Dec	2nd Tuesday	28-Jan-04	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	3	3	55
4	Hugh de Paynes	3rd Mon in Dec	3rd Monday	20-Jan-04	315	6	0	2	8	1	21	0	0	8	30	45	1	293
5	Excelsior	1st Thur in Oct	1st Thursday	28-Jan-04	49	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	4	0	45	45
6	Liberty	1st Mon in May	1st Monday	1-Apr-04	254	3	0	3	6	0	0	0	0	9	9	5	0	251
7	Emmanuel	1st Thur in Nov	1st Thursday	2-Feb-04	38	1	0	1	2	1	1	8	0	0	9	0	0	31
8	Ivanhoe	1st Thur in Oct	1st Thursday	1-Feb-04	96	3	44	4	51	11	3	3	0	3	20	2	4	127
10	Kansas City	1st Mon in May	1st Monday	29-Feb-04	187	0	1	0	1	0	0	10	0	11	21	11	1	167
11	St. Onier	1st Tues in Nov	1st Tuesday	30-Jan-04	76	0	0	2	2	0	0	7	0	9	16	4	4	62
12	St. Graal	2nd Mon in Nov	2nd Monday	23-Feb-04	130	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	8	10	7	5	121
14***	Cour de Leon				43				0					0			43	
15	O'Sullivan	2nd Mon in Jan	2nd Monday	20-Jan-04	74	0	0	4	4	0	7	6	0	0	13	0	0	65
16	Ascalon	1st Wed in June	1st & 3rd Wednesday	31-Jan-04	378	6	0	3	9	7	0	62	0	32	101	42	0	286
17	Palestine	1st Thurs in April	1st Thursday	28-Jan-04	317	4	1	1	6	1	0	23	0	14	38	6	3	285
19	Mary	2nd Mon in April	2nd Monday	31-Jan-04	147	0	0	0	0	2	2	13	0	7	24	4	2	123
20	St. John's	4th Mon in April	4th Monday	29-Jan-04	576	17	1	4	22	0	1	49	0	17	67	19	0	531
22	Ely	2nd Thurs in Dec	2nd Thursday	31-Jan-04	436	2	0	0	2	1	0	13	0	32	46	5	1	392
23	Crusade	4th Tues in Nov	4th Tuesday	28-Jan-04	87	4	0	0	4	1	2	3	0	2	8	11	2	83
24	Godfrey de Bouillon	3rd Thurs in Nov	3rd Thursday	19-Mar-04	124	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	5	9	2	115
25	Tuncred	2nd Tues in Nov	2nd Tuesday	23-Jan-04	64	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	3	5	11	1	60
27	Constantine	1st Wed in Dec	1st Wednesday	31-Jan-04	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	41
28	Calvary	4th Wed in Nov	4th Wednesday	30-Jan-04	34	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	1	6	0	0	28
29	Prince of Peace	3rd Mon in April	3rd Monday	29-Jan-04	169	2	1	0	3	1	7	1	0	9	18	17	2	154
31	Jasper	3rd Thurs in Dec	3rd Thursday	31-Jan-04	68	1	0	2	3	0	0	1	0	3	4	18	0	67
32	Paschal	4th Mon in Dec	4th Monday Qtr	19-Feb-04	75	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	3	5	0	0	71
33	Lebanon	3rd Tues in April	3rd Tuesday	29-Jan-04	104	6	0	0	6	0	0	4	0	2	6	1	0	104
34*	Bourgeois				45				0								0	45
35	Oriental	1st Fri in June	1st Friday	31-Jan-04	161	1	2	0	3	1	0	2	0	14	17	0	22	147
38	Temple	2nd Tues in Dec	2nd Tuesday	14-Mar-04	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
	TOTAL				5682	86	53	40	179	99	90	286	0	237	712	254	65	5149
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No.	Commandery	Election of Officers	Stated Conclaves	Annual Return Received	02 Membership	Knighted	Admitted	Reinstated	Total Gains	Dimitted	SNPD	Other Suspensions	Expelled	Died	Total Losses	Remissions	Endowed Members	Total Year End Membership
39	Ascension	1st Tues in June	1st Tuesday	29-Apr-04	128	0	0	0	0	1	1	28	0	5	35	5	4	93
40*	Maryville				16				0						0			16
42	Bethany	3rd Tuesday in Dec	3rd Tuesday	31-Jan-04	39	3	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	0	5	0	0	37
43	St. Elmo	3rd Wed in Dec	3rd Wednesday	31-Jan-04	70	3	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	4	6	4	1	67
45	Navarre	2nd Mon in Dec	2nd Monday	31-Jan-04	59	0	0	2	2	1	0	1	0	1	3	1	0	58
55	Cape Girardeau	1st Tues in Dec	1st Tuesday	23-Jan-04	126	1	0	1	2	0	5	1	0	4	10	4	0	118
56	DeSoto	1st Fri in Oct	1st Friday	10-Jan-04	139	0	0	1	1	1	0	11	0	4	16	3	5	124
57	Nesho	3rd Mon in April	3rd Monday	31-Jan-04	83	6	1	2	9	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	91
59	Rolla	2nd Mon in March	2nd Monday	21-Jan-04	173	10	1	1	12	4	13	0	0	2	19	2	1	166
60	Albany	2nd Tues in Dec	2nd Tuesday	28-Jan-04	45	0	0	0	0	5	1	2	0	1	9	0	0	36
63	Harve de Grace	2nd Mon in Dec	2nd Monday	6-Feb-04	76	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	3	25	0	0	51
64	St. Amand	2nd Mon in Dec	2nd Monday	23-Jan-04	26	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	25
66	Mountain Grove	3rd Thurs in Nov	3rd Thursday	28-Jan-04	60	0	0	3	3	0	1	1	0	3	5	4	0	58
67	Poplar Bluff	3rd Mon in Nov	3rd Monday	22-Jan-04	78	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	5	1	2	73
68	Westport	3rd Tues in Dec	3rd Tuesday	28-May-04	61	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	61
70	East Gate	1st Thurs in June	1st Thursday	31-Jan-04	151	0	0	1	1	3	0	5	0	6	14	7	0	138
72	Malta	2nd Tues in Dec	2nd Tuesday	27-Jan-04	38	4	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	40
73	St. Charles (cons w/8 9/4/03)	2nd Mon in June	2nd Monday		44	0	0	0	0	44	0	0	0	0	44	0	0	0
TOTAL					5682	86	53	40	179	99	90	286	0	237	712	254	65	5149

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No.	Commandery	Knighting Fees	Per Capita	02 Debits	KTEF	Total Fees	Minus Remissions	02 Credits	Minus KTEF Life Sponsors	Minus KTEF Remissions	Total Credits	Total Per Capita Owed	Late Fees
2	Weston	\$ 10.00	\$ 928.80	\$ -	\$ 86.00	\$ 1,024.80	\$ 60.00	\$ 6.60	\$ 1.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 75.60	\$ 949.20	\$ -
3	DeMolay	-	594.00	3.30	55.00	652.30	22.50	-	3.00	3.00	28.50	623.80	-
4	Hugh de Paynes	60.00	3,164.40	-	293.00	3,517.40	337.50	-	18.00	45.00	400.50	3,116.90	-
5	Excelsior	-	486.00	10.00	45.00	541.00	-	-	4.00	-	4.00	537.00	-
6	Liberty	30.00	2,710.80	55.80	251.00	3,047.60	37.50	-	52.00	5.00	94.50	2,953.10	20.00
7	Emmanuel	10.00	334.80	-	31.00	375.80	-	-	4.00	-	4.00	371.80	10.00
8	Imvohoe	30.00	1,371.60	-	127.00	1,528.60	15.00	52.80	27.00	2.00	96.80	1,431.80	-
10	Kansas City	-	1,803.60	45.90	167.00	2,016.50	82.50	-	12.00	11.00	105.50	1,911.00	10.00
11	St. Onier	-	669.60	25.60	62.00	757.20	30.00	-	5.00	4.00	39.00	718.20	-
12	St. Graal	10.00	1,306.80	-	121.00	1,437.80	52.50	39.20	20.00	7.00	118.70	1,319.10	10.00
14**	Cour de Leon	-	464.40	756.40	43.00	1,263.80	-	-	-	-	-	1,263.80	-
15	O'Sullivan	-	702.00	-	65.00	767.00	-	11.00	-	-	11.00	756.00	-
16	Ascalon	60.00	3,088.80	-	286.00	3,434.80	315.00	8.00	65.00	42.00	430.00	3,004.80	-
17	Palestine	40.00	3,078.00	-	285.00	3,403.00	45.00	71.60	18.00	6.00	140.60	3,262.40	-
19	Mary	-	1,328.40	-	123.00	1,451.40	30.00	1.80	19.00	4.00	54.80	1,396.60	-
20	St. John's	170.00	5,734.80	-	531.00	6,435.80	142.50	35.20	41.00	19.00	237.70	6,198.10	-
22	Ely	20.00	4,233.60	23.40	392.00	4,669.00	37.50	-	13.00	5.00	55.50	4,613.50	-
23	Crusade	40.00	896.40	-	83.00	1,019.40	82.50	17.60	3.00	11.00	114.10	905.30	-
24	Godfrey de Bouillon	-	1,242.00	125.90	115.00	1,482.90	15.00	-	7.00	2.00	24.00	1,458.90	20.00
25	Tancred	-	648.00	-	60.00	708.00	82.50	2.00	3.00	11.00	98.50	609.50	-
27	Constantine	-	442.80	37.00	41.00	520.80	-	-	3.00	-	3.00	517.80	-
28	Calvary	-	302.40	54.20	28.00	384.60	-	-	1.00	-	1.00	383.60	-
29	Prince of Peace	20.00	1,663.20	-	154.00	1,837.20	127.50	1.00	15.00	17.00	160.50	1,676.70	-
31	Jasper	10.00	723.60	-	67.00	800.60	135.00	22.60	6.00	18.00	181.60	619.00	-
32	Paschal	-	766.80	-	71.00	837.80	-	26.40	2.00	-	28.40	809.40	-
33	Lebanon	60.00	1,123.20	1.00	104.00	1,288.20	7.50	-	10.00	1.00	18.50	1,269.70	-
34*	Bonares	-	486.00	802.00	45.00	1,333.00	-	-	5.00	-	5.00	1,328.00	-
35	Oriental	10.00	1,587.60	-	147.00	1,744.60	-	336.20	24.00	-	360.20	1,384.40	-
38	Temple	-	205.20	-	19.00	224.20	-	5.80	3.00	-	8.80	215.40	20.00
TOTAL		\$ 860.00	\$ 55,609.20	\$ 2,289.80	\$ 5,149.00	\$ 63,908.00	\$ 1,905.00	\$ 774.70	\$ 507.00	\$ 254.00	\$ 3,440.70	\$ 60,467.30	\$ 110.00

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No.	Commandery	Knighting Fees	Per Capita	02 Debits	KTEF	Total Fees	Minus Remissions	02 Credits	Minus KTEF Life Sponsors	Minus KTEF Remissions	Total Credits	Total Per Capita Owed	Late Fees
39	Ascension	-	1,004.40	46.40	93.00	1,143.80	37.50	-	20.00	5.00	62.50	1,081.30	20.00
40*	Maryville	-	172.80	281.60	16.00	470.40	-	-	-	-	-	470.40	-
42	Bethany	30.00	399.60	-	37.00	466.60	-	29.20	2.00	-	31.20	435.40	-
43	St. Elmo	30.00	723.60	-	67.00	820.60	30.00	27.50	5.00	4.00	66.50	754.10	-
45	Navarre	-	626.40	-	58.00	684.40	7.50	-	2.00	1.00	10.50	673.90	-
55	Cape Girardeau	10.00	1,274.40	-	118.00	1,402.40	30.00	-	10.00	4.00	44.00	1,358.40	-
56	DeSoto	-	1,339.20	-	124.00	1,463.20	22.50	20.60	6.00	3.00	52.10	1,411.10	-
57	Nesho	60.00	982.80	-	91.00	1,133.80	-	15.80	4.00	-	19.80	1,114.00	-
59	Rolla	100.00	1,792.80	-	166.00	2,058.80	15.00	-	17.00	2.00	34.00	2,024.80	-
60	Albany	-	388.80	-	36.00	424.80	-	2.00	-	-	2.00	422.80	-
63	Harve de Grace	-	550.80	-	51.00	601.80	-	15.20	2.00	-	17.20	584.60	-
64	St. Armand	10.00	270.00	-	25.00	305.00	-	-	-	-	-	305.00	-
66	Mountain Grove	-	626.40	16.80	58.00	701.20	30.00	-	2.00	4.00	36.00	665.20	-
67	Poplar Bluff	-	788.40	-	73.00	861.40	7.50	2.00	1.00	-	21.50	839.90	-
68	Westport	-	658.80	-	61.00	719.80	15.00	-	4.00	2.00	21.00	698.80	-
70	East Gate	-	1,490.40	-	138.00	1,628.40	52.50	24.60	36.00	7.00	120.10	1,508.30	-
72	Malta	40.00	432.00	4.50	40.00	516.50	-	-	2.00	-	2.00	514.50	-
73	St. Charles (cons w/8 9/4/03)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		\$ 860.00	\$ 55,609.20	\$ 2,289.80	\$ 5,149.00	\$ 63,908.00	\$ 1,905.00	\$ 774.70	\$ 507.00	\$ 254.00	\$ 3,440.70	\$ 60,467.30	\$ 110.00
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No.	Commandery	Total Owed	Paid	2nd Payment	Date 2nd Payment	Total All Payments	03 Credits	03 Debits	Cash on Hand 12/31	Real Estate & Investments	Paraphernalia	Uncollected Dues
2	Weston	\$ 949.20	\$ 1,056.00	-		\$ 1,056.00	\$ 106.80		\$ 449.66	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -
3	DeMolay	623.80	623.80	-		623.80			1,136.10	-	2,000.00	-
4	Hugh de Paynes	3,116.90	2,957.90	159.00	19-Feb-04	3,116.90			3,005.41	50,000.00	500.00	-
5	Excalibur	537.00	572.40	-		572.40	35.40		3,049.60	-	-	-
6	Liberty	2,973.10	2,569.30	-		2,569.30		403.80	-	-	-	-
7	Emmanuel	381.80	476.00	-		476.00	94.20		228.49	4,257.67	250.00	-
8	Ivanhoe	1,431.80	1,362.80	-		1,362.80		69.00	16,058.70	43,034.32	6,000.00	-
10	Kansas City	1,921.00	700.00	500.00	24-Sep-04	1,200.00		721.00	2,883.83	-	-	-
11	St. Omer	718.20	719.60	-		719.60	1.40		1,699.62	-	1,667.00	150.00
12	St. Graal	1,329.10	1,319.10	30.00	23-Feb-04	1,349.10	20.00		5,242.73	9,726.69	5,000.00	440.00
14**	Cour de Leon	1,263.80	-	-		-		1,263.80	-	-	-	-
15	O'Sullivan	756.00	744.20	-		744.20		11.80	1,334.47	-	500.00	138.00
16	Ascalon	3,004.80	3,187.50	-		3,187.50	182.70		6,028.73	125,000.00	8,000.00	-
17	Palestine	3,262.40	3,106.40	-		3,106.40		156.00	5,518.58	23,022.11	-	-
19	Mary	1,396.60	1,496.62	-		1,496.62	100.02		1,044.55	-	-	-
20	St. John's	6,198.10	6,404.60	-		6,404.60	206.50		11,279.54	-	-	-
22	Ely	4,613.50	3,715.50	-		3,715.50		898.00	35,862.80	-	-	-
23	Crusade	905.30	904.30	-		904.30		1.00	400.03	-	-	-
24	Godfrey de Bouillon	1,478.90	1,471.70	-		1,471.70		7.20	3,270.45	-	-	-
25	Tancred	609.50	597.70	-		597.70		11.80	1,898.68	-	-	-
27	Constantine	517.80	540.60	-		540.60	22.80		1,655.58	-	-	-
28	Calvary	383.60	356.60	-		356.60		27.00	3,485.06	-	-	-
29	Prince of Peace	1,676.70	1,691.50	-		1,691.50	14.80		2,289.38	23,074.59	1,500.00	-
31	Jasper	619.00	642.60	-		642.60	23.60		910.84	-	800.00	145.44
32	Pschall	809.40	800.60	-		800.60		8.80	764.52	-	-	-
33	Lebanon	1,269.70	1,207.10	-		1,207.10		62.60	1,907.53	1,734.96	250.00	180.00
34*	Boanerges	1,328.00	-	-		-		1,328.00	-	-	-	-
35	Oriental	1,384.40	1,526.40	-		1,526.40	142.00		17,572.70	37,500.00	10,000.00	550.00
38	Temple	235.40	218.40	-		235.40			-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	\$ 60,577.30	\$ 55,741.72	\$ 706.00		\$ 56,447.72	\$ 1,427.42	\$ 5,557.00	\$ 152,536.76	\$ 470,552.56	\$ 51,567.00	\$ 5,125.54

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GRAND RECORDER'S TABULAR STATEMENT OF COMMANDERIES, DECEMBER 31, 2003, Continued

No.	Commandery	Total Owed	Paid	2nd Payment	Date 2nd Payment	Total All Payments	03 Credits	03 Debits	Cash on Hand 12/31	Real Estate & Investments	Paraphernalia	Uncollected Dues
39	Ascension	1,101.30	1,128.50	-		1,128.50	27.20	470.40	1,375.58	9,042.57	100.00	-
40*	Maryville	470.40		-		-			-	-	-	-
42	Bethany	435.40	398.80	-		398.80		36.60	701.58	-	3,000.00	-
43	St. Elmo	754.10	780.00	-		780.00	25.90		3,419.74	56,493.02	-	-
45	Navarre	673.90	685.70	-		685.70	11.80		1,933.30	-	-	20.00
55	Cape Girardeau	1,358.40	1,417.30	-		1,417.30	58.90		3,511.96	17,364.63	3,000.00	-
56	DeSoto	1,411.10	1,375.70	-		1,375.70		35.40	731.87	50.00	1,500.00	2,505.00
57	Neosho	1,114.00	1,120.00	-		1,120.00	6.00		1,528.32	-	-	-
59	Rolla	2,024.80	2,024.80	-		2,024.80		0.00	2,012.49	28,700.70	3,500.00	915.90
60	Albany	422.80	422.80	-		422.80			463.76	-	-	-
63	Harve de Grace	584.60	828.40	-		828.40	243.80		735.87	-	-	-
64	St. Amand	305.00	269.20	-		269.20		35.80	611.37	-	-	-
66	Mountain Grove	665.20	667.20	-		667.20	2.00		2,386.55	29,051.30	2,500.00	-
67	Poplar Bluff	839.90	839.90	-		839.90			1,220.95	-	-	-
68	Westport	698.80	744.80	-		744.80	46.00		-	-	-	-
70	East Gate	1,508.30	1,563.90	-		1,563.90	55.60		2,480.71	12,500.00	-	81.20
72	Malta	514.50	505.50	-		505.50		9.00	445.13	-	1,200.00	-
73	St. Charles (cons w/8 9/4/03)	-	-	-		-						
	TOTAL	\$ 60,577.30	\$ 55,741.72	\$ 706.00		\$ 56,447.72	\$ 1,427.42	\$ 5,557.00	\$ 152,536.76	\$ 470,552.56	\$ 51,567.00	\$ 5,125.54

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GRAND RECORDER'S TABULAR STATEMENT OF COMMANDERIES, DECEMBER 31, 2003, Continued

No.	Commandery	Indebtedness	Annual Dues	Treasurer Bonded	Recorder Bonded	Audited	Total Value of Commandery	Add KTEF Donations	Holy Land Endowment Fund	Members w/o Uniforms	Stated Conclaves	Average Attendance	Full Form Openings	Short Form Openings	Rehearsals	Funerals	Parades & Public Gatherings	Avg. Att. In Full Uniform	EC	GH	CG	SW	JW	T	R	P	SB	SwB	W	S
39	Ascension Maryville	-	21.50			No	10,518.15	-	-																					
40*	Bethany	-	-			No	-	-	-	33	4	8	4																	
42	St. Elmo	-	15.00			No	3,701.58	36.00	-	70	9	11	0	9	0	2	0	0	7	8	9	8	6	9	9	8	9	6	7	9
43	St. Elmo	-	15.00			No	59,912.76	50.00	-	58	10	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
45	Nivare	-	20.00	No	No	Yes	1,953.30	-	315.00	-									0	10	8	10	9	10	10	9	6	10	2	
55	Cape Girardeau	-	18.00			Yes	23,876.59	125.00	60.00	-	10	12	8	2	0	0	0	0	12	10	8	10	9	10	10	9	6	10	2	
56	DeSoto	-	18.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	4,786.87	130.00	-	20	10	14	10	0	10	0	2	2	12	10	2	10	9	7	9	5	9	4	6	3
57	Neosho	-	12.80	No	No	Yes	1,528.32	-	-	-																				
59	Rolla	-	15.00	No	No	Yes	35,129.09	22.00	22.00	151	10	26	0	10	0	0	4	12	10	8	10	8	10	10	10	9	10	7	8	10
60	Albany	-	12.00	No	No	Yes	463.76	-	-	4	4								3	1	2	3	4					1	2	
63	Harve de Grace	-	11.50			No	735.87	-	-	0	5	7	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	5	4	5	5	5	4	4	4	3	4	
64	St. Annand	-	12.00			No	611.37	-	-	2																				
66	Mountain Grove	-	20.00			No	33,937.85	-	-	57	12	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	12		12									
67	Poplar Bluff	23.68	14.00	No	No	Yes	1,197.27	-	-	4	10		4						4		4									
68	Westport	-	-			Yes	-	-	-	-																				
70	East Gate	-	20.30	Yes	Yes	Yes	15,061.91	-	-	141	10	15	10	10	10			12	9	10	9	10	8	9	7	5	6	7	8	8
72	Malta	-	15.00	No	No	Yes	1,645.13	-	-	40	6	9	0	6	0	0	0	0	6	5	5	6	6	5	6	1	4	3	3	1
73	St. Charles (cons w/8 9/4/03)	-	-			No	-	-	-	-																				
TOTAL		\$ 323.68	\$ 735.80				\$ 679,458.18	\$ 2,192.94	\$ 1,128.10	1,669	278	7	80	147	77	3	22	2	226	187	202	189	170	218	262	148	149	143	144	116
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**GRAND RECORDER'S TABULAR STATEMENT OF COMMANDERIES,
DECEMBER 31, 2003, continued**

Returns of Monthly Reports

Commandery	No.	Reg	2003												2004				
			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Weston	2	2						1	1	L					1				
DeMolay	3	3												L					
Hugh De Payne	4	2	L	L	L														
Excalibar	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1			1
Liberty	6	3	1	1					1	1			1		1	1	1	1	1
Emmanuel	7	1		1	L														
Ivanhoe	8	5									1								
Kansas City	10	3	1	1	1	1				1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1
St. Omar	11	3																	
St. Graal	12	3																	
Coeur de Leon	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
O'Sullivan	15	7		1	1	1	1	1	1				1	L	L		L		1
Ascalon	16	5					1			1		1							
Palestine	17	3					1			1		1							
Mary	19	3		1			1		1	L		1			L		1	L	
St. Johns	20	7									1			L					
Ely	22	1																	
Crusade	23	4		1	1	1	1					1							
Godfrey de Bouillon	24	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L	1	1		
Tancred	25	1		1			1												
Constantine	27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L			
Calvary	28	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Prince of Peace	29	4																	
Jasper	31	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Paschal	32	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L	L	L	1	1
Lebanon	33	7								L				1	L	1		1	
Boanerges	34	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Oriental	35	3	1							1	1	1		L	L	L			
Temple	38	4										1				L			L
Ascension	39	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Maryville	40	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bethany	42	2				1				1									
St. Elmo	43	7	L			1			1	L	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Navarre	45	2								L									
Cape Girardeau	55	6		L	L	1		1		L	L			1	L				L
DeSoto	56	6	1																
Neosha	57	7	L			1			L	L			1						
Rolla	59	4								1									
Albany	60	2				1													
Havre de Grace	63	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
St. Amand	64	3		1	1								1						
Mountain Grove	66	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Poplar Bluff	67	6				1											1		
Westport	68	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	L
East Gate	70	3		1						L	1	1	1	1	L				
Malta	72	1	L	L	L	1	1								L	1			
St. Charles	73	5				1	1			L	Cons w/8 9/4/03								
Total			17	22	17	24	20	16	19	19	18	18	21	17	15	15	14	14	14

blank=report filed on time

1=no report received

L=report received late

GRAND COMMANDERY STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS OF GRAND COMMANDER**

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights: The Committee on the address of the Grand Commander has met, reviewed the Address of the Grand Commander and report that we find the Address of the Grand Commander to be in order. We refer all decisions, dispensations and General Orders made by the Grand Commander to the Committee on Jurisprudence. We encourage the Grand Commandery Officers and the Grand Commandery to give favorable consideration to the recommendations of the Grand Commander as follows:

1. That the Grand Officers show a larger degree of interest in the activities of the Grand Commandery by remaining aware of and attending called formations. The Grand Commander cannot fulfill his duties without their active support. Grand officers should attend, in uniform, all Commandery degree work, as a minimum, in the area surrounding where they reside.

2. That the Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery continue to work together to streamline the Grand York Rite Session. All reasonable ideas should be considered to unify and streamline the Grand Sessions.

3. That the Ritual Committee modify the by-laws to allow individual Commanderies to utilize a uniform consisting of black trousers, black shoes, black tie and white shirt in opening Commanderies at stated meetings. It is a fact that less than five percent of Missouri Sir Knights own or have ready access to a complete Templar uniform. If Missouri and Grand Encampment by-laws were enforced, there is not one Commandery that could remain open. Almost everyone has the ability to attend meetings in the suggested dress. This would be a major step toward encouragement of pride in appearance and the utilization of the proper format in opening and closing the Commanderies.

4. That all monies coming into the Grand Commandery be receipted for by the Grand Recorder.

5. That a complete inventory of equipment and property belonging to the Grand York Rite be annually conducted; that the inventory/audit be made a portion of the annual report.

6. That a Long Range Planning Committee be established with varying terms of office; that a two year, four year, and nine year plan be designed, reviewed/updated semiannually, and resented at each Grand Session.

7. That the Grand Commandery work with the Masonic Home Board and the Grand Lodge of Missouri to obtain an agreement on the storage/utilization of library space for the preservation of historic materials in the Masonic Home complex.

8. That the Grand Commandery work with the other York Rite bodies, the Masonic Home Board and the Grand Lodge of Missouri to implement a future plan to move the Grand Recorder/Secretary's offices to the Masonic complex basement.

9. That immediate steps be taken to move York Rite records to an environment-controlled location from the current storage shed.

10. That an "At Large" Commandery be established with the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasures acting as Recorder and Treasurer. The purpose and function is to give Missouri Sir Knights a "Home of Record" to remain or become a Sir Knight when there is no viable Commandery within a reasonable commuting distance. It is to be expected

that the next ten years will see many of the smaller and rural Commanderies close or attempt to consolidate. The “At Large Commandery” will give a home of record to those in need.

11. That “Outpost” Commanderies be established for Commanderies that are able to minimally function and wish to retain their name, number, and presence at their current location. Guidelines are available from several of our sister state Grand Commanderies.

12. That the Eye Foundation Committee be disbanded and the Line Officers, Grand Recorder, and Grand Treasurer assume the duties and accountability responsibilities.

13. That the red shoulder cords for Regional Grand Commanders be approved by the appropriate committees. The “cords” set them apart from the rank and file, as they should be. The responsibility they carry and the duty they perform make them more important to Missouri Templary than several of the Line Officer positions.

14. That the current “Line Officer” election procedures and terms of office be reviewed and modified. Consistent quality/trainable leaders must continually be elected.

15. That a “report card” be issued for each Grand Officer below the rank of Deputy Grand Commander. The report card reflecting activities attended and mandatory and assigned duties performed would assist in the election of committed line officers.

16. That the current “Election” ballot be modified to an understandable format. The truth is many Sir Knights find it difficult to use on the first ballot particularly, if they want to replace someone in the current line.

17. That Sir Knights be allowed to voice their desire to be nominated for election to an advancing line position.

18. That Sir Knights nominated for an advancing position be allowed to be recognized by the membership at the time of nomination acceptance.

19. That the recommendations of the 2003-2004 Audit Committee be implemented.

However, the following reservations would apply:

Recommendations #3, #10, and #11

All care should be taken to make sure that any new “approved uniform” is in compliance with all Grand Encampment regulations.

Recommendation #4

The Committee is not sure that this will satisfy the Grand Encampment and the Knights Templar Eye Foundation as they have a procedure for sending all money for the voluntary campaign through the state chairman who then sends the money and forms on to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

Recommendation #12

Again, we are not sure that this will satisfy the Grand Encampment and the Knights Templar Eye foundation.

Recommendations #14, #16, #17, and #18

The Committee feels that these recommendations would require substantial amendments to the By-Laws before they could be implemented.

We move that the Address of the Grand Commander be approved and be printed in the proceedings of this Grand Conclave. We further move that this report be adopted and that the Sir Knights who would vote favorably on these motions please give our Right Eminent Grand Commander a standing ovation.

Fraternally Submitted,
Rocky E. Weaver
William S. Hall, Chairman

Robert L. Hudson

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights: Your Committee on Credentials has examined the certificates filed with the Committee and begs to report the following:

Number of Chartered Commanderies represented – 34; Grand Officers – 17; Past Grand Commanders – 14; Past Commanders, not representatives – 70; Regional Grand Commanders – 9; Chairmen and Members of Committees – 105; Commanders – 28 (7 being proxy); Generalissimos – 12 (3 being proxy); Captain Generals – 11 (1 being proxy); Records – 20; Grand Representatives – 37.

Number of Commandery representatives without duplication – 202; Commanderies fully represented – 6; Commanderies partially represented – 28. The following Commanderies had no representation: No's 2, 5, 11, 14, 15, 32, 34, 40, 43, 45, 60, and 63.

Past Commanders, not representatives: Ralph P. Bunnell (2), Foster S. Crawford (3), James M. Williams (4), Carroll E. Henson (4), William J. Bowser (4), Lloyd F. Waller (4), George L. Duncan (6), Robert W. Schlichter (6), Vern H. Schneider (8), Carl A. Detmer, Sr. (8), David C. Warburton (8), K. Trent Moreland (8), Robert L. Wright (8), William G. Buckner (11), William R. Brantley (12), Marion W. Dey (12), William B. Stephenson, Jr. (16), Emory J. Hampel (16), David R. Vogler (16), Ervin A. Drewing (16), Louis L. Monken (16), Harry O. Maenner (16), Robert E. Hardester (16), Joseph F. Wiegert (16), James L. Inukai (16), Victor C. Walters, Jr. (17), Keith Wilkinson (17), Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr. (17), Ralph E. Nolan (17), Stanton T. Brown (17), Glenn E. Means (17), Melvin J. Sanders (17), Walter W. Doyle (20), James A. Nunn (20), Kenneth L. Dunlap (20), Bob L. Detherow (20), Barry V. Cundiff (22), Ronald D. Miller (22), Calvin D. Schroff (23), Richard A. Mills (23), Gene C. Berck (23), Delbert R. Gentry (24), Loyd V. Wagner (27), William R. Probst (27), Nelson G. Morgan (29), Ted W. Blanchard (31), Richard R. McCauley (33), Joseph L. Heilig (35), Brent D. Wilson (35), Teddie E. Harrison (35), William W. Gray (35), Gary A. Phillips (39), Steven M. Anderson (45), Roy A. Welshon (56), LeRoy D. Unruh (56), Albert H. Miller (56), Steven C. Monrotus (56), Arthur C. Highman (56), George E. Ornsbey (59), Chris M. Jessen (59), Columbus Craft (59), William J. Neighbors (59), Harold C. Mace (59), Ray D. Wann (59), Roy L. Gilkey (59), Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr. (59), Paul K. Kawakami (68), Jack R. Clark, Sr. (68), Harry L. Bone (70), and Harley L. Kropf (72).

Grand Representatives to Missouri from other jurisdictions: Frank R. von Geyso (Alabama), Jerry F. Ward (Arizona), José R. Palacios (Arkansas), Russell S. Hanson (California), P. Vincent Kinkead (Colorado), Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr. (Connecticut), Chester H. Hazen (Delaware), Stanton T. Brown (District of Columbia), Larry D. Wyatt (Idaho), Nicholas F. Steinmetz (Illinois), James E. Snavelly (Indiana), Bob L. Detherow (Kansas), Robert G. Bird (Kentucky), Harold J. Richardson (Louisiana), Gerald V. Phillips (Maryland), Marion W. Dey (Michigan), Thomas C. Yunick (Minnesota), Marvin W. Frost (Mississippi), Donald L. Trabue (Nevada), Blair C. Mayford (New Jersey), William S. Hall (New Mexico), Harry C. Reed, Jr. (New York), James M. Williams (North Dakota), Emory J. Hampel (Ohio), Lionel J. Goede (Oklahoma), Larry T. Odom (Oregon), Billy J. Boyer (Pennsylvania), Ronald E. Wood, Jr. (South Carolina), Kevin B. Sample (South Dakota), Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr. (Tennessee), LeRoy D. Unruh (Texas), Jacob C. Baird (Virginia), Teddie E. Harrison (Washington), Robert W. Schlichter (West Virginia), Clyde F. Bondy (Wisconsin), and Mark S. Schroer (Wyoming).

Grand Commandery Officers: Thomas C. Yunick – Grand Commander; Nicholas F. Steinmetz – Deputy Grand Commander; James E. Snavelly – Grand Generalissimo; Marvin W. Frost – Grand Captain General; James J. Hayes – Grand Junior Warden; Lewis C. Odneal – Grand Prelate; Donald L. Trabue – Grand Treasurer; Kevin B. Sample – Grand Recorder; John E. Thraillkill – Grand Standard Bearer; Ronnie E. Green – Grand Sword Bearer; Russell S. Hanson – Grand Warder; Marion W. Dey – Aide-de-Camp; Jacob C. Baird – Grand Historian; Richard L. Mansfield – Grand Sentinel; John E. Schofield – Grand Organist; David D. Powell – Inner Guard; Loren D. Lloyd – Inner Guard; and David A. Lloyd – Inner Guard.

Past Grand Commanders: Blair C. Mayford, Robert D. Jenkins, Robert G. Bird, Chester H. Hazen, Jacob C. Baird, Jerry F. Ward, Donald L. Trabue, Billy J. Boyer, Vern H. Schneider (Honorary), Ronald E. Wood, Jr. (Honorary), Harold J. Richardson, Lionel J. Goede, Robert L. Hudson, and William S. Hall.

Regional Grand Commanders: Clyde F. Bondy, Jr., 1; Larry T. Odom, 2A; Timothy D. Munday, 2B; John W. Gibson, Jr., 3B; Harold F. Coots, 4; Harry C. Reed, Jr., 5; Richard E. Jump, 6; Albert E. Folds, 7A; and Gayle D. Bedell, 7B.

Standing Committees: ADDRESS OF GRAND COMMANDER – William S. Hall, Chairman. CREDENTIALS – Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman; Phillip W. Engel; and Aaron M. Shoemaker. FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS – Nicholas F. Steinmetz, Chairman; and James E. Snavelly. HOSPITALER – James E. Snavelly, Chairman; and Marvin W. Frost. RETURNS OF COMMANDERIES – Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman; Phillip W. Engel; and Marion W. Dey. TEMPLAR JURISPRUDENCE – Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman; Jacob C. Baird; William W. Gray; and Barry V. Cundiff. TIME AND PLACE – Nicholas F. Steinmetz, Chairman; James E. Snavelly; and Marvin W. Frost. TRIENNIAL – Billy J. Boyer, Chairman; Thomas C. Yunick; and Lionel J. Goede.

Special Committees: AUDIT – Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman; and Ronnie E. Green. COMMANDERY CHARTER & SEAL REVIEW – Kevin B. Sample, Chairman; and John E. Thraillkill. CONCLAVE PROGRAM BOOK – Ginny Goede, Chairman. CONFERENCE PLANNING – Richard E. Jump; Larry T. Odom; Brian Densmore; and Timothy Munday. DRILL – Larry T. Odom, Chairman; and Marion W. Dey. DRILL JUDGES – José R. Palacios, Senior Judge; Emory J. Hampel; Jerry F. Ward; K. Trent Moreland; Timothy D. Munday; Bob L. Detherow; Stanton T. Brown, and Gary A. Phillips. DRILL/TACTICS WORKSHOP – ; EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE, D.C. – Richard L. Mansfield, Chairman; and Richard A. Henderson. EDUCATION FOUNDATION – Forrest G. Lowe, Chairman; Harold F. Coots; James M. Williams; William E. Brennenman; Robert H. Bray; Kevin B. Sample; and Donald L. Trabue. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS – Kevin B. Sample, Chairman; and Aaron M. Shoemaker, Webmaster. GOLF TOURNAMENT – William J. Bowser, Chairman. HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE – Kevin E. Weaver, Chairman; Lewis C. Odneal; and Emory J. Hampel. HONOR COMMANDERY AWARD PROGRAM – Nicholas F. Steinmetz, Chairman; James E. Snavelly; and Marvin W. Frost. HONOR COMMANDERY AWARD MEDALLION – James E. Snavelly, Chairman. INVESTMENTS – Donald L. Trabue, Chairman; and Harold J. Richardson. KNIGHT TEMPLAR MAGAZINE – Ronald E. Wood, Jr., Editor. KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION – Louis L. Monken, Chairman; and James G. Wade. LONG RANGE PLANNING – William S. Hall, Chairman; Ronnie E. Green; Jacob C. Baird; Jerry F. Ward; Robert W. Schlichter; Kevin B. Sample; and Donald L. Trabue. MASONIC HOME DISPLAY – Robert H. Bray, Chairman; Russell S. Hanson; William R. Brantley;

Kevin B. Sample; and Jacob C. Baird. MEMBERSHIP – Lionel J. Goede, Chairman; and Teddie E. Harrison. OUTPOST COMMANDERIES – Jerry F. Ward, Chairman; and Kevin B. Sample. PATRIOTIC AND CIVIC ACTIVITIES – James E. Snavelly, Chairman; and Marvin W. Frost. RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES – Emory J. Hampel, Chairman. REVIEW OF SOUTH CENTRAL DEPARTMENT PROCEEDINGS – Robert H. Bray; Chairman; Marvin W. Frost; John E. Thrailkill; and Ronnie E. Green. RITUAL – Jerry F. Ward, Chairman; Chester H. Hazen; and Ronald E. Wood, Jr. YORK RITE CONFERENCE – James J. Hayes, Chairman; and Nicholas F. Steinmetz. YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS – Lionel J. Goede; LeRoy D. Unruh; and Bob L. Detherow.

COMMANDERY REPRESENTATIVES (Credentials)

(* By proxy)

No.	COMMANDERY	COMMANDER	GENERALISSIMO	CAPTAIN GENERAL	RECORDER
2	Weston				
3	DeMolay				Mark S. Schroer
4	Hugh de Payens	George C. Steidel			William W. Mier
5	Excalibar				
6	Liberty	Frank R. Von Geysso, III		John E. Schofield	
7	Emmanuel	Allen L. Vancil			
8	Ivanhoe	Edgar F. Coonrod	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	George M. Merkle	Richard J. Holmes
10	Kansas City				Steven M. Anderson
11	St. Omer				
12	St. Graal	Michael L. Wallis	James G. Wade		Russell S. Hanson
14	Coeur de Leon				
15	O'Sullivan				
16	Ascalon	David H. Lewis	Richard Henderson	Charles G. Coy	Kevin E. Weaver
17	Palestine	Daniel R. Quesenberry	Matthew L. Quesenberry	Donald R. David	
19	Mary		* William E. Criss		
20	St. John's	James H. Mercer		Eldon Cobb	Robert G. Bird
22	Ely	David Lloyd	Loren D. Lloyd	* Clyde F. Bondy, Jr.	
23	Crusade	Phillip W. Engel			
24	Godfrey de Bouillon	Timothy D. Munday	Larry T. Odom		
25	Tancred				Fred F. Stuecken
27	Constantine	Clark A. McLemore			C.C. McLemore, III
28	Calvary	* Larry D. Wyatt	* Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.		
29	Prince of Peace	Harold F. Coots	Larry D. Wyatt	Donald L. Trabue	Robert L. Hudson
31	Jasper	C.C. McLemore, III			Marvin W. Frost
32	Paschal				
33	Lebanon	* Harold J. McClellan		Howard E. Ridgeley	Albert E. Folds
34	Boanerges				
35	Oriental	Corey B. Huntsucker			
38	Temple	Lewis C. Odneal			Robert H. Bray
39	Ascension				Jack D. Brown
40	Maryville				
42	Bethany				John E. Thrailkill
43	St. Elmo				
45	Navarre				
55	Cape Girardeau	* Chester L. Herrington			
56	De Soto	James Woodfin	Lee L. Francis	Michael Highman	James E. Snavelly
57	Neosho				Vernon Pogue, Jr.
59	Rolla	William Woolsey	James Smallwood	Bernard A. McIntyre	Paul Robert Cannon
60	Albany				
63	Harve de Grace				
64	St. Amand	Jimmy T. Baker			Kenneth S. Fousek
66	Mountain Grove	* Jacob C. Baird			
67	Poplar Bluff	* Kevin B. Sample			
68	Westport	Roy N. Thomas	Frank W. Benson		
70	East Gate	James C. Rodgers	* Forrest G. Lowe	Derek Wimmer	Robert Brizendine
72	Malta	* Earl W. Orr			

Respectfully submitted,
 Stanton T. Brown
 Phillip W. Engel
 Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman

REPORT OF HOSPITALER COMMITTEE

No Report Received.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPLAR JURISPRUDENCE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

The Committee on Templar Jurisprudence has reviewed the General Orders issued, the suggested amendments to By-Laws offered by Constituent Commanderies approved by the Grand Commander, the dispensations granted, and all other matters affecting the business of the Grand Commandery. We find the actions taken and decisions made by Sir Knight Thomas Chester Yunick, Right Eminent Grand Commander, in regards to these matters, during his tenure thus far, in keeping with the inherent duties, responsibilities and powers of the office of the Grand Commander as granted and sanctioned by the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Missouri and the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, USA.

Furthermore, and in our opinion, the Grand Commander has performed with the utmost respect, decorum, and, a demonstrable feel of interest and beneficence for the Craft at all times.

Therefore, as a gesture of our appreciation for his leadership to the Craft, we highly recommend a standing ovation in support of Sir Knight Thomas Chester Yunick, Right Eminent Grand Commander and, the approval of this report.

Fraternally submitted,
Barry Cundiff, Member
Jacob C. Baird, Member

William W. Gray, Member
Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman

This Section of the Report approved by standing ovation, May 15, 2004

Proposed Standing Resolution

WHEREAS, the United Grand Commandery of Knights Templar F.&A.M. of Missouri, PHA has existed in the State of Missouri since 1859, having initially been chartered by The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, PHA, and does profess to adhere to Masonic principles and ideas similar to those of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri,

AND WHEREAS, the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri has existed in the State of Missouri since 1860,

AND WHEREAS, each of the said Grand Commanderies desires to remain autonomous within its Jurisdiction and to operate hereafter as hereto with its own Grand Commander and other Grand Commandery Officers, Constitution, By-Laws, Ritual, Rules and Regulations, Subordinate/Constituent Commanderies and Membership,

AND WHEREAS, both Grand Commanderies desire to fraternally recognize the other as a duly constituted Masonic Grand Commandery of Knights Templar,

AND WHEREAS, this resolution will not become effective until approved by each Grand Commandery at their respective Annual Conclave,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that it is mutually agreed that we will

dwell together in Peace and Harmony; each Grand Commandery does hereafter extend Fraternal Recognition to the other as a duly constituted Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, and does, in the true spirit of Love, Peace, and Unity, hereby accord to the other rights of Visitation in Grand Commanderies and Subordinate/Constituent Commanderies, wheresoever assembled, subject always to the Rights, Powers, and Authority of the Right Eminent Grand Commander to preside over his Grand Commandery and the Eminent Commanders of the Subordinate/Constituent Commanderies to preside over their respective Grand Commandery and Commanderies.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin B. Sample, PC, Poplar Bluff Commandery No. 67

Robert W. Schlichter, PC, Liberty Commandery No. 6

Thomas C. Yunick, PC, Ely Commandery No. 22

Jacob C. Baird, PGC

Proposed Standing Resolution Passed, May 15, 2004

Proposed Legislation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article XVIII, Change of By-Laws, Sec. 215. By Alteration or Repeal*, be amended by striking, “on one day of this session, be published in the proceedings of this Grand Commandery, and lie over until the next annual conclave, when it shall again be read;”.

THIS SECTION CURRENTLY READS: Any alteration or proposition to repeal any of the foregoing By-laws shall be reduced to writing, read on one day of this session, be published with the proceedings of this Grand Commandery, and lie over until the next annual conclave, when it shall again be read; and, if approved by the majority of the members present, shall become a part of the By-Laws of this Grand Commandery.

IF ADOPTED, THIS SECTION WOULD READ: Any alteration or proposition to repeal any of the foregoing Laws and Regulations shall be reduced to writing, read, and, if approved by the majority of the members present, shall become a part of the Laws and Regulations of this Grand Commandery.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: Adoption of this amendment negates the requirement that a proposal to amend a currently existing Rule or Regulation, or a proposal to repeal a currently existing Rule or Regulation, have to lie over until the following session of the Grand Commandery. The several steps and delay required of the existing By-Law are unnecessarily burdensome, create needless additional paperwork, and needlessly hinder legislation that frequently is urgently necessary to conduct the business function of the Grand Commandery. Adoption of this amendment proposal does not remove the requirement of timely filing with the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee as stipulated in Section 35(c).

Respectfully submitted,

Robert W. Schlichter, PC, Liberty Commandery No. 6

An amendment to the proposal was presented from the floor to insert the wording: “not in conflict with section 35(c)” between “proposition” and “to”.

Proposed Legislation as Amended Passed, May 14, 2004

Proposed Legislation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article I, THE GRAND COMMANDERY, Section 12. Annual Conclave*, of the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri be amended by striking “, to be effective beginning with the Templar Year of 1995” and all wording following “and” and substituting the following wording, “/or Saturday in May in the city of Columbia or Jefferson City in the State of Missouri. The time and place of the Annual Convocation will be designated in the official notice of the Conclave.”

THE LAW CURRENTLY READS: *Section 12 Annual Conclave*. So as not to conflict with the Annual Conclave of any sister jurisdiction in the South Central Department, to be effective beginning with the Templar Year of 1995, the Grand Commandery shall hold an Annual Conclave on the third Friday and Saturday in May in a city in the State of Missouri to be determined by the Grand Commander with the approval of a majority vote of the Deputy Grand Commander, Generalissimo, and Grand Captain General. The time and place of the Annual Conclave will be designated in the official notice of the Conclave.

IF AMENDED THE LAW WILL READ: *Section 12 Annual Conclave*. So as not to conflict with the Annual Conclave of any sister jurisdiction in the South Central Department, The Grand Commandery shall hold an Annual Conclave on the third Friday and/or Saturday in May in the city of Columbia or Jefferson City in the State of Missouri. The time and place of the Annual Conclave will be designated in the official notice of the Conclave.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: In consideration of the expense, both in time and money, of the Drill Teams who compete in the annual competition and as an incentive for more participation and attendance, a central location for the Annual Conclave is essentially necessary. The Grand Commandery must be sensitive to the needs of our members throughout the state.

Further, this amendment offers the option to open the Grand Commandery either on Friday or Saturday. The current By-Law requires that we open on Friday, and the Grand Commandery is not in compliance, because it is not opened until Saturday. Should the Grand Commandery hold its Annual Conclave apart from the Grand Chapter and Grand Council, this amendment allows for a two-day session if needed.

Respectfully submitted,
David R. Vogler, PC, Ascalon Commandery No 16
Kevin E. Weaver, PC, Ascalon Commandery No. 16

Proposal was presented from the floor to strike “in the city of Columbia or Jefferson

City”

Proposed Amendment to the Legislation Failed, May 15, 2004

Motion for recount was made and seconded.

Motion for Recount Failed, May 15, 2004, Proposed Legislation Failed, May 15, 2004

Proposed Legislation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the following sections be added to the Grand Commandery Laws and Regulations, to wit, ***Section 201. Honorary Titles.***

- (a) Any Sir Knight considered qualified to meet the qualifications of Section 237(a) of the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America may be considered for a proposal as an Honorary Past Grand Commander.
- (b) The Grand Commander shall get the written approval of the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment before proposing that the Sir Knight be so honored with that title.
- (c) The Grand Commandery at an Annual Conclave may approve the title by a vote of 2/3 of those present and eligible to vote.
- (d) Any Sir Knight so honored will be entitled to wear the shoulder straps of a Past Grand Commander. The shoulder straps shall be engraved with the letters “HPGC” on each of them in gold to designate his honor.
- (e) The honoree shall also be entitled to wear the jewel of a Past Grand Commander with the words “Honorary Past Grand Commander” engraved on the back.
- (f) The honoree shall assume the cost for purchase of the shoulder boards and the jewel.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: In accordance with Section 237 of the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, a Grand Jurisdiction may propose any Sir Knight to be honored with the designation of Honorary Past Grand Commander with prior approval of the Grand Encampment. However, no law was ever enacted in the State of Missouri adopting any policy. This proposed section endeavors to establish rules and guidelines to govern procedure.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacob C. Baird, PGC

Robert W. Schlichter, PC, Liberty Commandery No. 6

Thomas C. Yunick, PC, Ely Commandery No. 22

Proposal from the floor was made to change the word “get” to “obtain” in paragraph (b).

Proposed Amendment to Paragraph (b) Passed, May 15, 2004***Proposed Legislation as Amended Passed, May 15, 2004*****Proposed Legislation**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article IV Revenue and Compensation Section 40 parts (a) and (b) Retirement and Financing*, be repealed in its entirety.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To save the Grand Commandery money and convert the money from the present retirement fund to the general funds to be used in the prevention of future per capita increase. The recorder's job is a supplemental job and not one from which he can retire.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter W. Doyle, PC, St. John's Commandery No. 20

James A. Nunn, PC, St. John's Commandery No. 20

William R. Probst, PC, Constantine Commandery No. 27

C.C. McLemore, PC, Constantine Commandery No. 27

A proposal to amend the proposal by addition of the following wording after "entirety" was received from the floor, "and the money placed in a separate fund from which only the interest can be used."

Proposal was made to Table the proposed legislation for one year and that the incoming Grand Commander appoint a committee to review the legislation and amendment.

Proposed Legislation was Tabled until 2005, May 15, 2004**Proposed Legislation**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar be amended by making the currently existing wording of **Section 16(i), Subsection (1)**, and adding **Subsection (2)**, to wit: Any Sir Knight who achieves fifty (50) years of membership in good standing, as certified by the Grand Recorder, shall be awarded a Veteran's Jewel. Said Jewel is designated as meritorious to reward the Sir Knight for his loyalty, devotion, and service to his Commandery. The Jewel shall be worn on the left breast of the uniform as specifically authorized and directed by Section 257 of the Statutes of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. The cost of the jewel shall be borne by the Grand Commandery.

SECTION 16 CURRENTLY READS: It may prescribe a uniform and change it from time to time. If it fails to so prescribe, the uniform shall be that as prescribed by the Grand Encampment for members of the constituent commanderies. The possession of a uniform by the members of constituent commanderies shall not be required, but shall be at the option of each member.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To recognize, in a tangible and visible way, the lifelong

service of our veteran Knights Templar.

IF ADOPTED, SECTION 16(i) WOULD READ: (1), It may prescribe a uniform and change it from time to time. If it fails to so prescribe, the uniform shall be that as prescribed by the Grand Encampment for members of the constituent commanderies. The possession of a uniform by the members of constituent commanderies shall not be required, but shall be at the option of each member.

(2), Any Sir Knight who achieves fifty (50) years of membership in good standing, as certified by the Grand Recorder, shall be awarded a Veteran's Jewel. Said Jewel is designated as meritorious to reward the Sir Knight for his loyalty, devotion, and service to his Commandery. The Jewel shall be worn on the left breast of the uniform as specifically authorized and directed by Section 257 of the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. The cost of the jewel shall be borne by the Grand Commandery.

Respectfully submitted,

David R. Vogler, PC, Ascalon Commandery No. 16

Kevin E. Weaver, PC, Ascalon Commandery No. 16

Proposed Legislation Passed, May 15, 2004

Proposed Legislation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article I, section 12, Annual Conclave* of the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri be amended by striking all after, "Department," and substituting the following in place thereof, "the Grand Commandery shall hold an Annual Conclave on the third Saturday in May. The Annual Conclave shall include a Commandery Drill Competition as long as there are Drill Teams to Compete. The Annual Conclave shall be a Part of a Grand York Rite Session held in conjunction with the Grand Chapter and the Grand Council of Missouri. The location shall be determined by a Committee on Time and Place that shall consist of the Grand King of the Grand Chapter of Missouri, the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of Missouri, and the Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. If the Committee cannot come to a unanimous decision a General Session of the Grand York Rite will be called on the Friday preceding the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m. during the Grand York Rite Session and the matter will be voted on by all voting members of all three Grand York Rite Bodies. The proposal receiving the most votes will be binding on all three York Rite Bodies. Thus, the Grand York Rite Session shall be held on the third Saturday in May along with the preceding Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Wednesday shall be Grand Council Day, Thursday Shall be Grand Chapter Day, Friday shall be Grand York Rite Day and Saturday shall be Grand Commandery Day. The Grand York Rite Day shall be used for unfinished business of the other days, meetings of appendant or honor bodies, drill competition, joint sessions, and any other business that the three Presiding Officers shall agree upon."

ARTICLE 1, SECTION 12, ANNUAL CONCLAVE CURRENTLY READS: So as not to conflict with the Annual Conclave of any sister jurisdiction in the South Central

Department, to be effective beginning with the Templar Year of 1995, the Grand Commandery shall hold an Annual Conclave on the third Friday and Saturday in May in a city in the State of Missouri to be determined by the Grand Commander with the approval of a majority vote of the Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo, and Grand Captain General. The time and place of the Annual Conclave will be designated in the official notice of the Conclave.

AS AMENDED, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 12, ANNUAL CONCLAVE WILL READ:

So as not to conflict with the Annual Conclave of any sister jurisdiction in the South Central Department, the Grand Commandery shall hold an Annual Conclave on the third Saturday in May. The Annual Conclave shall include a Commandery Drill Competition as long as there are Drill Teams to Compete. The Annual Conclave shall be a Part of a Grand York Rite Session held in conjunction with the Grand Chapter and the Grand Council of Missouri. The location shall be determined by a Committee on Time and Place that shall consist of the Grand King of the Grand Chapter of Missouri, the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of Missouri, and the Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. If the Committee cannot come to a unanimous decision a General Session of the Grand York Rite will be called on the Friday preceding the third Saturday in May at 9:00 a.m. during the Grand York Rite Session and the matter will be voted on by all voting members of all three Grand York Rite Bodies. The proposal receiving the most votes will be binding on all three York Rite Bodies. Thus, the Grand York Rite Session shall be held on the third Saturday in May along with the preceding Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Wednesday shall be Grand Council Day, Thursday shall be Grand Chapter Day, Friday shall be Grand York Rite Day and Saturday shall be Grand Commandery Day. The Grand York Rite Day shall be used for unfinished business of the other days, meetings of appendant or honor bodies, drill competition, joint sessions, and any other business that the three Presiding Officers shall agree upon.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To promote York Rite Unity, to provide for a means of appointment and function of Joint Committees of the Grand York Rite, and to cause the Drill Competition to be a part of the annual Grand York Rite Session. This would also relieve the time constraints placed on all of the Grand York Rite Bodies during their annual meetings. Finally, to avoid the possibility of extra expense that would be incurred should the Grand York Rite Bodies have separate sessions at separate times and location. This amendment should not become effective until and if all three York Rite Grand Bodies have passed similar legislation.

Respectfully submitted,
William S. Hall, PGC

Proposal made from the floor to table action on this legislation until the next Annual Conclave.

Proposed Legislation Tabled, May 15, 2004

Proposed Legislation to Lay Over to 2005

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *Article I, Sec. 3. Of Whom Composed, paragraph (d)* of the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri be Amended as follows: By changing the words “Generalissimo and the Captain General” to “Generalissimo, Captain General, and the Recorder”.

THIS SECTION OF THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS CURRENTLY READS: The Commander, Generalissimo and the Captain General of each commandery under the jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery.

IF ADOPTED, THIS SECTION WOULD READ: The Commander, Generalissimo, Captain General, and the Recorder of each commandery under the jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The office of Recorder is an integral part of each constituent Commandery and at times the only representative at the Annual Conclave. This very important officer is not currently entitled to vote unless he is a Past Commander of a constituent Commandery. Some Recorders are NOT Past Commanders and do maintain the most significant responsibilities of the Commandery; that officer should be entitled to vote as such.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin B. Sample, PC, Poplar Bluff Commandery No. 67

Proposed Legislation Ruled Out of Order as it Conflicts with Grand Encampment Constitution and Statutes, May 15, 2004

The Committee on Templar Jurisprudence has reviewed the Orders issued, the suggested amendments to By-Laws offered by Subordinate Commanderies, the dispensations granted, and, all other matters affecting the business of the Grand Commandery. We find the actions taken and decisions made by Grand Commander Thomas C. Yunick, in regards to these matters, during his tenure thus far, in keeping with the inherent duties, responsibilities and powers of his office as granted and sanctioned by the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Commandery of Missouri and the Constitution, Laws and Orders of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, USA.

Furthermore, and in our opinion, the Grand Commander has performed with the utmost respect, decorum, and, a demonstrable feel of interest and beneficence for the Craft at all times.

Therefore, as a gesture of our appreciation to the interest of the Craft, we highly recommend a standing ovation by the Craft in support of Right Eminent Sir Knight Yunick and, the approval of this report.

Fraternally submitted,
William W. Gray, Member
Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman

Jacob C. Baird, Member

Templar Jurisprudence Committee Report as presented was Passed, May 15, 2004

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

The proposed budget herein listed reflects estimated Income and Expenses for the year 2004-2005:

Income

Per Capita, 4408 @ \$10.80	\$ 47,606.40
Knighting Fees, 75 @ \$10.00	750.00
Interest Income	2,750.00
Beginning Balance, 2004	5,322.00
Miscellaneous	<u>100.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 56,528.40

Salaries & Allowances

Grand Commander	\$ 3,000.00
Grand Treasurer	500.00
Grand Recorder	7,500.00
Clerical Assistance	7,500.00
Employment Taxes	1,215.22
Annual Conclave	2,000.00
Auditor	250.00
Capital Asset Fund	320.00
Drill Committee	1,000.00
Editor, KT Magazine	100.00
Grand Encampment Per Capita	17,145.00
Grand Officers Conference	500.00
Insurance	300.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
Office Equipment	1,000.00
Office Expenses	2,000.00
Office Rent & Utilities	1,920.00
Past Grand Commandery Regalia	350.00
Postage	1,600.00
Proceedings	2,112.00
Storage Rental	832.00
Triennial Fund	525.00
Youth Organizations	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 53,419.22

Balance: Income over Expenses **\$ 3,109.18**

Respectfully submitted,
James E. Snively
Donald L. Hiatte

Kirk McDaniel, Jr.
Nicholas F. Steinmetz, Chairman

Proposed Budget Passed, May 15, 2004

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS OF COMMANDERIES

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights: Your Committee on Returns of Commanderies has examined the returns of the 46 Commanderies in this jurisdiction and presents the following report:

During the past year, St. Charles Commandery No. 73 consolidated with Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8. Couer de Leon Commandery No. 14, Boanerges Commandery No. 34, Ascension Commandery No. 39, Maryville Commandery No. 40, and Westport Commandery No. 68 have not filed returns at the time of making this report and will be assessed penalties by the Grand Recorder when received. The returns of Liberty Commandery No. 6, Kansas City Commandery No. 10, St. Graal Commandery No. 12, Temple Commandery No. 38, and Harve de Grace Commandery No. 63 were received late and were assessed penalties. St. Graal Commandery No. 12 did not include the Audit Report with the returns due to the meeting of their Audit Committee being delayed on account of serious illness of one of the committee members. Eleven of the returns did not include the seal of the Commandery.

With very few exceptions, the returns were typed or neatly hand printed although several contained errors, many of which were caused by Recorders evidently not keeping a current updated roster of their membership as changes occur during the year.

The Monthly Update Reports continue to be a problem although there appears to be some improvement during the past year. If this report were made monthly as requested, it would help eliminate the problem of errors in membership and mathematic sections of the annual returns as well as eliminating much wasted postage.

Fred A. Troxel
Marvin L. Painter
Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRIENNIAL

No report submitted.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**REPORT OF AUDIT COMMITTEE**

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

An audit of the financial records of the Grand Commandery was conducted on April 18, 2004, with the Grand Recorder and the Grand Treasurer in attendance. This audit focused primarily upon the record keeping practices and controls placed upon the finances of the Grand Commandery by the Grand Recorder and the Grand Treasurer with limited incursions into actual receipts and expenses from the individual accounts as previously authorized in the approved budget of the Committee on Finance and Accounts. The Committee notes that the Grand Recorder and the Grand Treasurer maintain a successive list of warrants that successively and successfully track income to and expenditures from the various line items contained in the budget. The Committee

further notes that each officer maintains a balance sheet to report such activity on a continual basis. The balance sheets are readily deciphered even by an untrained eye. The lack of balance sheets from Committees having oversight of the income and expenditure of some funds is particularly troublesome especially as these relate to the tax-exempt standing of the Grand Commandery. The Committee observed that some of the equipment utilized by the Grand Recorder in the performance of his duties are leased items. The Committee also observed that some supplies are donated items for the use of the Grand York Rite of Missouri and that some of the office equipment and shelving utilized by these officers is donated for the benefit of the Grand York Rite of Missouri. The audit took into account the amount of space being utilized by the Grand York Rite. The Grand York Rite office is manned on a near 24/7 basis and functions with only the assistance of one other paid employee. Taxes are computed and paid for these employees and adequate records are maintained for that purpose. The Committee did review the 990 forms utilized to document the tax payments of the Grand Commandery and found them in order. The Committee found that some original paperwork documenting the tax-exempt status of the Grand York Rite was missing. The Committee notes that a number of Constituent Commanderies have filed no annual returns, paid per capita tax, or have filed late returns. The lack of doing so complicates the maintenance of accurate membership statistics that are used to project and prepare the annual budget. Furthermore, this lackadaisical attitude and lack of record keeping and submission results in unnecessary costs to the general fund of the Grand Commandery. It is the understanding of the Audit Committee that some initial planning has taken place for the conduct of a dollars and cents internal audit following the close of the Grand Session this year. The Committee finds that a policy on the dispersal of monies from the Triennial Fund is seriously lacking. The lack of positive direction in this regard created utter confusion this year. The Audit Committee, through its investigation, learned that disbursement of funds from this account has been viewed by Past Grand Commanders in different ways. The Audit Committee received paperwork from various Sir Knights, some with, some without justifications for expenditures and some with varying amounts indicated for the same listed item. These disparities created some consternation among the troops. Indeed, to the point that the entire matter had to be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence for a ruling as to which Sir Knights were actually authorized by the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery to receive funds from the Triennial Fund. The question being, "Does one rely on past practice or does one rely on the Rules and Regulations"? Of course, the Laws and Regulations do not address what expenditures are or are not authorized.

Recommendations

1. That a complete inventory be conducted of all the property being held in storage. It is recommended that a committee of Past Grand Heads of Bodies be appointed for this purpose.
2. That such committee focus on items that are out dated or can no longer be utilized with an eye towards dispersal in order to reduce the necessity to retain scattered storage locations thereby reducing costs to the Grand York Rite. Such material includes desks, typewriters, and printers to name a few.
3. That such committee review all documentation currently in storage and determine its intrinsic value for retention or destruction.

4. That having done so, the committee explore the means of reducing items (documentation and papers) selected for retention to electronic media thereby again reducing the necessity for retaining and paying for additional storage space.
5. That practice be put in place to require financial statements from all committees having oversight of any funds associated with the Grand Commandery, including those of the charities.
6. That practice be put in place to enforce the filing of annual returns and payment of per capita and/or penalties in a more timely manner.
7. That a paper inventory be established to identify and segregate property actually under the control and ownership of the Grand York Rite as opposed to that being donated by the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer.
8. That any proposed internal audit be conducted as near as possible after the close of the books for the Grand Session.
9. That the Grand Treasurer continues his pursuit of and obtains such documentation as is necessary to corroborate the 501(c)(10) filing status for the Grand York Rite of Missouri.
10. That a committee be appointed to develop written policy that explicitly identifies how the monies from the Triennial Fund are to be allocated and to whom.
11. That such policy specify the particular form of reporting that will be used to justify expenditures from the Triennial Fund.
12. That such policy address what expenditures will be permitted and how those are to be documented.
13. That, if necessary, the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery be amended to correct any deficiencies or concerns in relation to the Triennial Fund.

In closing, it should be noted that the one of the names appearing as signatory on this report was not as originally appointed by the Grand Commander. In the waning hours immediately prior to the date and time scheduled for the conduct of the audit, it became quite apparent that the majority of the Committee had dissolved itself. It therefore became necessary to relieve the burden and fill the void by grabbing a willing soul. That was done. So be it!

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Cannon, Member
Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman

Physical inventory of Grand York Rite and Personal Equipment may be found on pages 64 and 65 of these proceedings and will not be duplicated here to conserve space.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARTER AND SEAL REVIEW

Right Eminent Grand Commander, officers, and members, in early fall of 2003, the Grand Commander ordered the Grand Recorder to contact each constituent Commandery for the purpose of reviewing the status of each organization's charter and seal. The reason for this was painfully obvious with the loss of the Grand Commandery Charter, to see that each Commandery was in possession of their charter and seal and to suggest protective action in order to preserve charters.

On December 8, 2003, that communication was issued. Enclosed with that communication was a 3x5 card with information to be completed and/or corrected including the name & number of the Commandery; the corrected spelling of each Commandery based on the wording of the charter; was there a copy of the charter; was the original charter under archival glass; was the original charter in a vault; if the charter was in a vault, was there two signatures to access; and, was the copy framed and displayed. Also on the card were signature lines for the Commander and Recorder and a place to affix the Commandery seal on gold foil. Finally, due to transfer of records and our inability to locate specific copies of each Commandery's by-laws, each Commandery was to submit a copy of their current by-laws.

Of the 46 Commanderies queried, we received response from the following 21: Weston No. 2, Hugh de Payens No. 2, Liberty No. 6, Ivanhoe No. 8, St. Omer No. 11, O'Sullivan No. 15, Ascalon No. 16, St. John's No. 20, Ely No. 22; Crusade No. 23, Constantine No. 27, Prince of Peace No. 29, Lebanon No. 33, Temple No. 38, Bethany No. 42, Cape Girardeau No. 55, DeSoto No. 56, Rolla No. 59, Albany No. 60, St. Amand No. 64, Poplar Bluff No. 67, and Malta No. 72.

Only Ivanhoe No. 8, O'Sullivan No. 15, St. John's No. 20, Temple No. 38, DeSoto No. 56, Rolla No. 59, and Poplar Bluff No. 67 were returned with by-laws. We received notice that Hugh de Payens by-laws were being updated. Each card was signed by the Commander, Recorder, and impressed with their seal. We are grateful for their assistance with this process.

This office feels that due to time and with Recorder turnover, many Commanderies do not have access to any functional by-laws. Additionally, some of the newer Recorders may not understand that the charter and seal are the property of the Grand Commandery.

The general consensus is that less than 25% of those who responded have copied their charters or have their originals under archival glass. All who responded were in charge of their seal although a couple are quite worn and should be replaced.

In summary, this office feels that each Commandery should have a color copy of their charter made and the original secured in a safe, fireproof location. We cannot account for the status of over 50% of the Commanderies in the state concerning the status of their charter or seal.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONCLAVE PROGRAM BOOK

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

We collected \$3,160.00 for the 2004 Grand York Rite Program Book. Still outstanding and due three ads totaling \$120.00. The income will total \$3,280.00. The printing costs for Young Advertising is \$790.00. Profit will be \$2,490.00!!!

Respectfully submitted,
Ginny Geode

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE PLANNING

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

There were six joint York Rite Conferences held this year. Valuable information was dispensed for the craft at the Conferences. The incoming presiding Grand York Rite Officers for 2004-2005 presented their program for next year. The upcoming program was received with interest and enthusiasm. The Conferences were beneficial to all who were in attendance. The Conferences should continue as a valuable aid to the officers and members of the Grand York Rite Bodies. Thank you to the grand officers for their support and attendance at these Conferences.

Respectfully submitted,
James J. Hayes, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DRILL

To the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

The Commanderies listed have exemplified their proficiency in the Grand Commandery Asylum Drill Competition. There scores are listed.

On behalf of Right Eminent Thomas Yunick, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the State of Missouri, I extend congratulations to each Commandery that participated in the 2004 drill competition. The competition was spirited and friendly.

There were eight Commanderies that competed this year: one in "C" class; six in "B" class; and two in "A" class. The "C" and "B" class teams competed on April 17, 2004 in Columbia. This year, in addition to the badges and bars to be received, we have changed from trophies to plaques as some Commanderies expressed that they have no place to display trophies, but could display plaques. In addition, we have resurrected the issuance of Commandery beauceant pennants and issued the Drill Judges special green bars in recognition for their service to the Grand Commandery. We hope these two changes meet with everyone's approval.

Rank	Commandery	Number	Score
CLASS C			
No. 1	St. John's	20	87.3
CLASS B			
No. 1	Liberty	6	97.8
No. 2	Ely	22	97.7
No. 3	Oriental	35	96.5
No. 4	Prince of Peace	29	94.8
No. 5	Ivanhoe	8	94.2
No. 6	De Soto	56	92.9
CLASS A			
No. 1	Ascalon	16	96.4
No. 2	Palestine	17	95.7

Respectfully submitted,
W. Brad Bemby
K. Trent Moreland

Marion W. Dey
Larry T. Odom, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DRILL WORKSHOPS

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Congratulations on a very successful term, and we look forward to your continued participation as one of our most trusted counselors. I offer the following as a token of activity of this committee.

Early in the Templar year, a format for the workshop was developed and distributed to the Drill Committee, Drill Judges, and Ritual Committee for their review and suggested revisions. The intent was to establish some formal agreement as to content, and determine pre-defined methodology in the judging of controversial aspects of Asylum Drill, not formally addressed by the Tactics Manual.

A meeting was called on February 22, 2004 of the Drill Committee, Drill Judges, and Ritual Committee, attended by Sir Knights Stanton T. Brown, Marion W. Dey, Chester H. Hazen, Jerry F. Ward, Thomas C. Yunick, and Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.

It was generally agreed by the participants that a more stringent judging program was necessary, and that a return to former practices be implemented. Of particular interest was the relaxation of kneeling requirement, and subsequent omission of certain aspects of the drill routine.

Several factors influenced the inability of this committee to organize jurisdictional workshops to present these criteria; moving the "B", "C", and "at Large" drill competitions to April, and the changeover of committee members of the several committees.

It is the opinion of the Workshop Committee that continued effort be expended to ensure that the judging committee be intimately familiar with the Asylum Drill, and that the Drill and Ritual Committee be consulted for clarification of the drill routines when notifying the Commanderies of the Drill Competition.

It was my honor and pleasure to serve this past year as Chairman of the Drill Workshop Committee. It is my hope that this committee will be continued, and that further progress will be made to amplify and encourage participation in the Asylum Drill Competition.

Fraternally submitted,
Fred A. Troxel, Jr., Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE WASHINGTON, D.C.

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

It was my pleasure this year to attend the Easter Sunrise service in Washington, D.C. As chairman of the Easter Sunrise Service in Washington D.C. for our state, I was disappointed in the number of Sir Knights that chose not to attend. Those who did attend, Eminent Commander Sir Knight Thomas C. Yunick, his lady Christopher and I and my

lady Becky had a wonderful time. The weather was cool but clear on Friday and Saturday and allowed for excellent sight seeing. Easter Sunday was rainy and caused the program to be moved inside.

It was this Sir Knight's second trip to Washington, D.C. and my first for the sunrise service. I met and made friends with several Sir Knights from other states. One Sir Knight from Maine, who played in their band, went to dinner with us and in our conversation, it was discovered that he had graduated from the same high school as Tom's lady Chris (small world, huh). Another Sir Knight from Florida informed me that he was the "Sir Knight Grand Leftout" of Florida. I found out later that this is a position for life.

As you can see the trip was not only educational, but it was also fun.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard L. Mansfield, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

See report of Grand Council Committee on the same, page 160.

REPORT OF GRAND HISTORIAN

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander and the other Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

R. E. Grand Commander, when you called me early in May last year and asked if I would serve as Historian for this body for the ensuing year, I asked what you would expect me to do, and you told me to find something of interest in the history of this Grand Body to report on at this Conclave. That opened the door for me; at the Annual Conclave, I told you that I would do that and that I would take the opportunity and begin a History of this Grand Body, which I estimated that it would require a few years to complete. As a member of the Grand Encampment since 1986 and a member of its Committee on Templar History since 1984, I have been well aware of the very little that is available (in one book) on this subject. I became Chairman of that Committee in 1985 - and took on the job of writing the History of that organization from 1949 to 1997, which was published in October of 1999 as "Book II" of the History of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States of America.

I had spent some time deciding how I thought the History of this Grand Commandery should be done, and then I started reading the Proceedings, starting with the Conclave which was called to establish this Grand Body, following its authorization by the Grand Encampment. I copied ALL of the Proceedings of that conclave, and I also copied much of what transpired at the first Conclave of this Grand Body (which was on the day following the "organizational" Conclave). In fact, I copied quite a bit of several of the early Annual Conclaves; the idea being for the reader to hopefully get the feeling of how those Sir Knights thought, spoke and wrote. I have completed a rough draft of the first thirty years or so.

I hope that we can talk the Lodge of Research of the Grand Lodge into publishing it when I have finished it; hopefully, within the next couple of years.

Now, to get to the promise I made to the Grand Commander. Have any of you heard about the "Permanent Grand Encampment Grounds" proposed by the Grand Commandery of Missouri? Sir Knight Robert Bray wrote to me a year ago this past winter and asked me that question. He referred me to a date almost a century ago to check into - if I was curious. I drove into Mountain Grove and looked in the Library in our Masonic Temple.

I found on p. 23, May 23, 1911 Proceedings (extracted from Grand Commander William F. Kuhn's Address, p.33-34) PERMANENT ENCAMPMENT GROUNDS "At the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery one year ago steps were taken toward securing a permanent Home for the Grand Commandery. Such actions can be found on pages 60, 97 and 98 of the Proceedings for 1910. I therefore immediately issued a circular letter to the Commanderies concerning a map of the proposed grounds and all the information thereto and requested action thereon without delay." Only 32 of the 65 commanderies responded; 19 were for the idea and 13 opposed it. In accordance with the way the proposition had been stated, he declared it carried, and named a Board of Trustees: Solomon E. Waggoner of St. Louis, R.E.P.G.C., for a 3 year term; Von F. Boor of Kansas City, P.E.C. for a 2 year term; and Samuel Smoke of Columbia, P.E.C., for a 1 year term.

On page 130 is a report of two of the Trustees, Waggoner and Boor that they had "formally accepted" the offer of the STL&SF Railroad to sell the proposed land to the Grand Commandery, and requested that "an appropriation of at least \$500.00 be made at the present time to be used in the preliminary work" on the grounds.

On p.26, May 1913 Proceedings: (from Address of Grand Commander Millard F. Faulkner.

"Four years ago it was unanimously conceded that the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, of the State of Missouri, should have a Permanent Encampment Ground, and a committee was appointed to find suitable location."

"Canvassing varied sections of the state and considering several propositions made, the committee accepted a site covering 279 acres in Pulaski County, lying along the banks of the Gasconade River.

"Two years ago the Grand Commandery voted a per capita tax of fifty cents per annum, extending through a period of five years for the purpose of raising funds for improvement.

"The second payment of the annual tax has now been made by all of the Commanderies of the state, and there is yet in the Grand Treasury at credit of this fund, \$1,063.50.

"The Board of Trustees have performed unselfish labor in framing matters so as to commence building at the earliest possible moment that funds in hand are sufficient to justify a contract.

"I extend hearty endorsement of the Permanent State Encampment proposition, feeling assured that when once attained it will be the pride of all Knights Templar of Missouri."

On p.119, of those same Proceedings: Report of Trustees of P.S. Encampment showed \$6453.66 on hand.

Pages 58-62, May 1914 Proceedings: from Address of Grand Commander William H. Glancy.

Permanent Encampment Grounds

As a result of the proposal in 1911, of the 62 Commanderies, 19 voted in favor of obtaining and developing the site (with the 50 cents per Templar "tax" per annum for 5 years) and 13 opposed (NOTE: only ½ of the Commanderies responded.) As of this date there was \$9,589.41 on hand for the Trustees for use in development of the Grounds; (surveying, building a cabin, "working tools" had already been paid for). It took 50 minutes for the 4 mile trip from the Rail Road Station on the only road (unimproved, dirt) road to go from the railway station to the site. While visiting around the state the Grand Commander was convinced that only a few of the Templars were for the proposition and would make use of the Grounds. "I therefore recommend that the Trustees be instructed . . . to dispose of all tools, etc. . . ." and all of the monies be refunded to the Commanderies and that the contract with the St. Louis and San Francisco Railway be canceled."

Page 101, May 1915 Proceedings: Permanent State Encampment. Resolution " . . . which upon being submitted to a vote received affirmative sanction." The Resolution - much as stated in the preceding paragraph was adopted. The proposal for a Permanent State Encampment was thus "laid to rest".

Pages 32-34, May 1916 Proceedings: from Address of Grand Commander Ernest Fowkes.

Permanent State Encampment

... "The Grand Treasurer reported distribution completed October 19th, 1915. Thus, and this, with your approval, brings the Permanent State Encampment proposition to a happy conclusion."

As I indicated earlier, I am indebted to Sir Knight Robert Bray for calling my attention to this affair.

Fraternally submitted,
Jacob C. Baird

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

For the fourth year in a row, the Grand Encampment has not sponsored a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, and therefore, neither has our Grand Commandery. Because of the political unrest in the Middle East, and particularly in Israel, the safety of those traveling cannot be assured. For an end to the conflict, and the coming of a lasting peace, you are encouraged to "pray without ceasing."

We are in hopes that in the very near future, this important service to the pastors and churches of Missouri may resume.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin E. Weaver, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE ENDOWMENT FUND

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

The fund continues to grow, as we have received your timely donations and gifts, but have not been able to expend them for the Pilgrimage. On the positive side, when

Pilgrimages are again resumed, that we fulfill our dream of sending a minister every year, instead of alternate years.

Your generous gifts are encouraged and very much appreciated!

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin E. Weaver, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HONOR COMMANDERY AWARDS

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

The following Commanderies reported and the following Eminent Commanders have qualified for the 2003-2004 Honor Commandery Award:

Sir Knight	Commandery
Frank R. von Geyso	Liberty Commandery No. 6
Ronnie E. Green	Ascalon Commandery No. 16
James L. Inuaki	Ascalon Commandery No. 16
Daniel R. Quesenberry	Palestine Commandery No. 17
Cory B. Huntsucker	Oriental Commandery No. 35
Arthur Carl Highman	DeSoto Commandery No. 56
George E. Ornsbey	Rolla Commandery No. 59
James Rodgers	East Gate Commandery No. 70

Every Missouri Commandery and their Commander are encouraged, at their next meeting, to draw up a plan of action that will result in receiving this award in May 2004. If a Commandery is meeting, it has the resources to easily achieve this goal. It is further suggested that the strong, viable Commanderies in each region adopt a Commandery and assist their Sir Knights in completing the Honor Commandery Award requirements.

Fraternally submitted,
Nicholas F. Steinmetz
Thomas C. Yunick, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HONOR COMMANDERY AWARD MEDALLION

No report submitted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

No report submitted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Fraters, as of May 7, 2004 the 36th Annual Voluntary Campaign has received \$8,000.00. During the campaign, Missouri was honored with three Grand Master's Club memberships (\$1000.00), five Knight of Siloam Medals (\$500.00), three Patron memberships (\$100.00), eleven Associate Patron memberships (\$50.00), and twenty-eight Life Sponsorships.

During this Templar year, Missouri had fifty cases submitted with a cost of about \$141,000.00.

The Grand Commandery of Missouri Knights Templar Eye Foundation received contributions from the Allen N. Smith Estate and the Eugene E. Darr Estate.

Sir Knights, what more fitting tribute can we give departed Sir Knights, Brothers and family members than a memorial contribution to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation; the forms are available from the State Chairman or Regional Grand Commanders. I would like to thank Sir Knight Tomas C. Yunick, Right Eminent Grand Commander of Missouri and all the other grand officers for their help.

The following is the historical listing of Missouri recipients of the Knight of Siloam medals:

Sir Knight	Commandery	Issued
Ferguson, Danny L	Mary No. 19	2-Nov-93
Criss, William C	Mary No. 19	2-Nov-93
Wood, Jr., Ronald E	Mary No. 19	2-Nov-93
Hazen, Chester H	East Gate No. 70	22-Dec-93
Davis, Ray S	East Gate No. 70	22-Dec-93
Vanderpool, Robert	East Gate No. 70	22-Dec-93
Baird, Jacob C	Mt. Grove No. 66	29-Dec-93
Sheffield, Virgil R	East Gate No. 70	30-Dec-93
Richardson, Harold	DeSoto No. 56	25-Jan-94
Gerstenschlager, Alvin E.	DeSoto No. 56	25-Jan-94
Webster, Robert C.	Rolla No. 59	7-Feb-94
Stephenson, William B.	Ascalon No. 16	17-Feb-94
Blinn, Joseph Edward	St. John No. 20	19-Feb-94
Wilson, E. E.	Hugh de Payens No. 4	7-Mar-94
Barracough, William E.	Oriental No. 35	12-Mar-94
Gibbons, James J.	St. John No. 20	31-Mar-94
Hunt, Bruce H.	Ely No. 22	6-Apr-94
Morrow, Joseph S.		6-Apr-94
Lee, Charles W.	Ely No. 22	6-Apr-94
Hugh De Payne No. 4	Hugh de Payens No. 4	29-Mar-95
Boyer, Billy J.	Ascalon No. 16	30-Apr-95
Vincent, George C.	Ascalon No. 16	30-Apr-95
Mayford, Blair C.	Ascalon No. 16	30-Apr-95
Taylor, James C.		30-Apr-95
Hebbeler, Arthur F.	Ascalon No. 16	20-May-95
Treece, Donald	Ely No. 22	24-May-95
Goede, Lionel	Ascalon No. 16	6-Aug-95

Sir Knight	Commandery	Issued
Glawson, Michael	Calvary No. 28	28-Apr-96
Switzer, Robert Lee	Lebanon No. 38	26-Jun-96
Brown, Lester J.	Liberty No. 6	30-Dec-96
Hampel, Emory J.	Ascalon No. 16	30-Dec-96
Palacios, José R.	Ascalon No. 16	30-Dec-96
Monken, Louis L.	Ascalon No. 16	30-Dec-96
Dey, Marion W.	Calvary No. 28	30-Dec-96
Herrington, Chester	Cape Girardeau No. 55	30-Dec-96
Weaver, Kevin Earl	Ascalon No. 16	20-May-00
Straight, Walter C.	St. Graal No. 12	19-May-01
Phillips, Gerald V.	East Gate No. 70	19-May-01
Wisemore, Darrell Dean	Palestine No. 17	19-May-01
Lewis, David H.	Ascalon No. 16	19-May-01
Moreland, Kirby Trent	Ivanhoe No. 8	19-May-01
Pennington, Mary Ann	St. Charles No. 73	19-May-01
Bedell, Gayle D.	Ascension No. 39	18-May-02
Day, Michael E.	Lebanon No. 38	18-May-02
Mund, E. Wayne	DeSoto No. 56	18-May-02
Reed Jr., Harry C.	St. Charles No. 73	18-May-02
Manson, Russ	St. Graal No. 12	18-May-02
Bess, Allen	St. Omer No. 11	18-May-02
Wisemore, Darrell Dean	Palestine No. 17	18-May-02
Rethemeyer, Gene A.	Hugh de Payens No. 4	18-May-02
Cundiff, Barry	Ely No. 22	18-May-02
Hudson, Robert	Prince of Peace No. 29	18-May-02
Green, Ronnie E.	Ascalon No. 16	17-Jun-02
Inukai, James L.	Ascalon No. 16	17-Jun-02
Morgan, Charles D.	Ascalon No. 16	17-Jun-02
Hall, William S.	East Gate No. 70	17-May-03
Newberry, Orville W.	East Gate No. 70	17-May-03
Welshon, Roy A.	DeSoto No. 56	17-May-03
Holmes, Richard J.	Ivanhoe No. 8	17-May-03
Sample, Kevin B.	Poplar Bluff No. 67	17-May-03
Trabue, Donald L.	Prince of Peace No. 29	17-May-03
Schlichter, Robert W	Liberty No. 6	15-May-04
Thompson, Stanley M	Palestine No. 17	15-May-04
Odom, Larry T	Godfrey de Bouillon No. 24	15-May-04
Vogler, David R	Ascalon No. 16	15-May-04
Heger, Frederick L	Ascalon No. 16	15-May-04

“And Let There Be Light”

Louis L. Monken, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON KNIGHTS TEMPLAR MAGAZINE, EDITOR

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Another year has passed, and the Knight Templar Magazine continues to bring information of importance and interest to those who read it. This year we received several articles from individual Commanderies that helped fill out the pages. It is good when this type of material is submitted. It gives others across the state the opportunity to see that there are Commanderies who are struggling to provide good programming.

Information vital to the advancement of the Grand Commandery comes from the Grand Commander. Each Grand Commander has in his own way sought to reach out and “touch” all that read the Magazine. We miss a lot when such information is not readily available for dissemination. Let us look for toward 2004-2005 with the expectation that even more Commanderies will share their projects with you through the Knight Templar Magazine.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald E. Wood, Jr., Editor

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LONG RANGE PLANNING

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights, your Committee on Long range planning, unfortunately, has not met this year. In retrospect, the committee is too large to meet. It is my recommendation that if the committee is to continue (and I think it should), that it be streamlined with not more than four or five members and that they can consult individually with others around the state and bring their ideas to the committee. Realistically there is not any way to get a committee, with in the neighborhood of ten members from all over the state, together to meet at any one time.

Respectfully submitted,
William S. Hall, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOME DISPLAY

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Fraters, your Masonic Home York Rite Display Committee reports that an impressive display of York Rite Masonic materials was placed on display on the lower level of The Masonic Home of Missouri in time for the June 14, 2003 dedication at 6033 Masonic Drive, Columbia, Missouri, off Prathersville Road at Missouri Highway 63 North.

On display is a mannequin wearing a Knight Templar uniform with chapeau. Knight Templar banners surround a glass display case holding the historic officer jewels of the Grand Commandery, Grand Council, and Grand Chapter from the 19th century.

Color photographs of the Grand High Priest Delbert R. Gentry, Grand Master Gary A. Phillips, and Right Eminent Grand Commander Thomas C. Yunick rest atop the display case along with a large pictorial of the Ladder of Degrees of the York Rite.

The display is available for view on a daily basis as The Masonic Home of Missouri and Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Missouri are open for business.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert H. Bray

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

The membership reports I have been receiving from the Grand Encampment have been very disturbing. In May of 2000, Missouri had a membership of 7,305. As of March 1 of this year, our membership has declined to 5,859. That is a decrease of 1,446 members in a little less than four years. At this rate of decline, will there even be a Grand Commandery of Missouri in twenty years?

So far this year through February, we have only knighted sixty and seven affiliated. Twenty-two were reinstated, but forty-two demitted. This year through February, we have suspended 246 and lost 122 to death. I attended the York Rite Conferences in Springfield and Farmington, reporting facts and trying to motivate membership.

In September, I sent a letter to all Commanderies asking them to make a dedicated effort to contact the newly made Master Masons in their area, and invite them to join the York Rite. So far, our reports have not reflected any increases, only decreases.

I encourage each of you to replace yourself with at least one new Sir Knight. I continue to see many Lodges doing degree work, the one-day classes are continuing. We should be attending these classes and putting in a good word for York Rite. The Shrine is present to shake hands and welcome everyone in the morning. What are we as York Rite Masons doing? I believe that our Regional Grand Commanders should be present or make arrangements to have someone present when there is going to be a one-day class in their area. Please, attend your Blue Lodges, sell York Rite Masonry, and let's get some of our younger people involved to carry Masonry into the next millennium. We need to make our Commanderies more visible in the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Lon Goede, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OUTPOST COMMANDERIES

No report submitted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PATRIOTIC AND CIVIC ACTIVITIES

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights, the following Commanderies reported a special Christmas Observance:

DeMolay Commandery No. 3
Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8

Crusade Commandery No. 23
Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29

St. Graal Commandery No. 12
O'Sullivan Commandery No. 15
Ascalon Commandery No. 16
St. John's Commandery No. 20

St. Elmo Commandery No. 43
Cape Girardeau Commandery No. 55
DeSoto Commandery No. 56
Poplar Bluff Commandery No. 67

The following Commanderies reported on a special Easter Observance:

DeMolay Commandery No. 3
St. John's Commandery No. 20

O'Sullivan Commandery No. 15
DeSoto Commandery No. 56

Respectfully submitted,
James E. Snavelly, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

The Committee on Religious Activities has no detailed report except that each Commandery has been encouraged to hold observances during the year of Christmas, Easter, and Ascension Day, and to make report of such activity to the corresponding grand officer.

Respectfully submitted,
Emory J. Hampel, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVIEW

No report submitted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUAL

No report submitted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOUTH CENTRAL DEPARTMENT PROCEEDINGS

No report submitted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

YOUTH has been one of the ongoing programs of the Grand Commandery. We financially support our youth groups, but that is it. We need to be doing more! The Youth Organizations are struggling with membership, as we are, but how many of you have younger people such as grandchildren, great nieces and nephews and neighbors who have youth that are eligible for membership in these groups? We need to help them promote their organizations.

Each year the Grand Commander selects a youth from each of the three youth organizations who represent the tenets of that organization, is active in church and school organizations, and is an outstanding student. This year the Right Eminent Grand Commander Thomas C. Yunick presented the awards to Beth Dahm, Bethel No. 65; Job's Daughters International, (*unknown name*), Order of Rainbow, and Larry L. Fricken, Jr., Order of DeMolay.

Have you visited a Youth organization meeting lately? If you do not have a Masonic Youth Organization, how about a 4H Club, Scout Meeting or whatever meets in your area. You could give your Lodge some recognition as well as the York Rite. Let them know who you are and that you are interested in what they do. Ask if your Commandery could help them in any way. As Sir Knights, we need to be visible in our communities.

Respectfully submitted,
Lon Goede, Chairman

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Grand Commander called for the election of officers. He appointed the Regional Grand Commanders as tellers. The Grand Recorder identified the instructions for balloting. It was then ordered that the doors be secured.

There were 100 ballots cast. The line was advanced. For the office of Grand Warder, Daniel R. Quesenberry received 47; Robert W. Schlichter received 19; Richard L. Mansfield received 8; 8 were scattered and 7 were blank. Since the seven blanks were thrown out, 47 was a majority of the 93 ballots cast for that office. Daniel Quesenberry was elected Grand Warder.

All of the officers accepted their offices.

It was moved by the Grand Recorder and seconded that the ballots for 2003 be destroyed.

Motion Approved, May 15, 2004

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights: In the due course of Unity, the One Hundred Forty-Fourth Grand Commandery Conclave will be held on May 21, 2005, at the Lodge of the Ozarks in Branson, Missouri. It will again be in conjunction with the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri and the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,
Nicholas F. Steinmetz

Grand Commander Yunick then called upon Sir Knight Duncan, Department Commander, South Central Department, to address the Grand Conclave. (*No picture available.*)



Sir Knight Kenneth B. Fischer, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, addresses the Grand Conclave.

ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Thank you Sir Knights. Right Eminent Grand Commander, Most Eminent Past Grand Master, Right Eminent Department Commander, past and present distinguished Sir Knights all; it is a great pleasure to be with you on this occasion of your 143rd Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. It is a great pleasure to be here with you and I thank you and the Grand Commandery of Missouri for many very significant contributions to the Grand Encampment, of which I will bring you our greetings from the other officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Encampment.

We have enjoyed the contributions of such Sir Knights as Blair C. Mayford who is our past Most Eminent Grand Master. He is kind of my Grand Encampment father; I was elected into the bottom of the line when he was elected Grand Master in 1994. He is also a trustee of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. Sir Knight Billy J. Boyer, past Department Commander and a trustee of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, of which we are very proud. Sir Knight Jacob C. Baird is our Grand Historian and is chairman of our Historical Committee on the History of the Grand Encampment, and we appreciate you Jake for all that you have done. Sir Knight Vern H. Schneider, who is and honorary past Department Commander and General Council (and Blair is General Chairman), for the 60th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment, did a wonderful job in St. Louis on that occasion. Sir Knight Lon Goede who has served two Grand Masters as Registration Chairman of Grand Conclaves, both Blair's and William Jackson Jones'. I

would recognize Teddie E. Harrison; Teddie is Mr. Membership of Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America. Teddie, you have done a wonderful job, thank you.

Sir Knights, we started this 63rd Triennial of the Grand Encampment by my sharing of my vision at least, and I would like it to be everyone's vision for the Grand Encampment, that Templary as we know it in the United States of America, is returned to being the premier organization or York Rite, if not all of Masonry. That is my vision and if I had any other vision, I would assume that you would be disappointed in me. It can be accomplished, Sir Knights. There are many ways that we can do that. Again, part of that vision is that every Christian Mason must be a Knight Templar. Not ought to be, not should be, not it would be nice if they were, they must be given the opportunity to become a Knight Templar. We really need to work on that Sir Knights. We all need to be about that business.

I would like to see this Grand Encampment, your Grand Commandery, and your constituent Commanderies be so good, and so well appreciated, and acknowledged by the general public, that Christian Masons in your jurisdiction would beg to be members of your organization. That is possible Sir Knights. But, it takes that ugly four-letter-word; work. We must all continue to work toward that aim.

How do we do these types of things? There are several points in which we can achieve this vision. Most of you know that I was involved for many years as a drill team captain and I learned many valuable lessons, but three were very valuable. Probably the first and most valuable lesson I learned as a drill team captain is that if you treat every man on your team with dignity and respect, he will do almost anything you ask. Dignity and respect. Second thing is you must train. If you are to be successful in any endeavor, you must train. There is a great lesson there for all of us in Templary. The next thing in achieving these visions is setting your goals and I perceive that you are setting goals within your Grand Commandery. If you do not have a goal, you are not going to accomplish much. In fact, it has been stated pretty succinctly that you never quite achieve your highest goal. If you do not have a goal, what are you going to achieve, you are not going to achieve very much.

The thing that we have preached for the past several trienniums is leadership, and leadership might be a misused word. I would like to ask you to reconsider being good managers. We need, in your Commanderies, in your Grand Commandery, and in the Grand Encampment, to be good stewards of that which we have been given. We need to manage the affairs of our Constituent Commanderies better than we have been doing. Sure, it is simple work, but it is very important work. To manage the affairs of a Commandery of Knights Templar requires all of the efforts of every one of its members and its officers. We need to be about the business of being good managers of our Constituent Commanderies as well as our Grand Commanderies.

Membership, our past Grand Master Blair C. Mayford had a program called Membership, Membership, Membership. It was a great program. Again, to achieve membership, it is that ugly four-letter-word, work. You befriend the Master Mason, you tell him our story, and you lead him to the door. It is not easy, but it can be done. The Masons in many of our meetings tend to have what I call the "whoa is me's", we want to bemoan how bad things are. But, you know it is not all bad, there are success stories, and I want to share a couple of them with you. One that is most recent, the Grand Commandery of Louisiana just reported a net gain of three. That is a high water mark Sir Knights, we have turned the tide. They have turned the tide in the state of Louisiana. We

are going through a downturn, these World War II veterans, and I am sure there are a lot of you here, are kind of reaching the end of their time. We took in over 150,000 Masons in Texas in a five-year period after World War II, now we are paying the debt which we must all pay sooner or later.

That is a theme that I want to go through and it is going to be trying, it is going to be difficult for us all, but it is not the end of this fraternity by any means.

The second success story that I would like to relate to you is a new Commandery which was established in Texas a few years back, which I opposed. I thought it was a horrible idea; it was a little Commandery they were going to establish down in the far southeast corner of the state, in a place called Silsbee, Texas and I doubt that anybody in this room ever heard of Silsbee, Texas, based near Beaumont and Port Arthur. We had two Commanderies there; they were large Commanderies. At one time, they flourished, they did great work, but in the last twenty years, they have been declining every year, and they were basically dead. They were just sitting around waiting for the end to show up. So when the Grand Commandery Officers came around and said they were going to charter a new Commandery at Silsbee, I told them they had to be out of their mind. Well, they did it anyway and I am glad they did. They started this little Commandery in a place that is kind of in a no-mans-land, a no-York-Rite-Masonry-land, of southeast Texas with 25 Sir Knights. Today, they have 100 members and have 10 petitions in waiting. Sir Knights, it can be done if you choose to do it. You can turn your Commandery around if it is one of those dead Commanderies.

Membership has two words which describe the work, or how you succeed with membership. One is you work, but the second one is, to retain your members, you must care. If this is to be a successful organization, then we must be an open, caring organization. We must care about every member who is on our rolls and we must show them that we care; we have not done that enough. We rode the good times and we had so many people that we did not have time to keep up with them all. Well now, we have lost a good number of them; our biggest problem has been dimits and suspensions, but I am telling you what you already know.

The Knight Templar Eye Foundation is doing very well and I ready by your report that you have done exceptionally well this year bringing in funds for our 36th Voluntary Campaign. It is over basically at this point. We did not quite reach a million dollars but we beat last year. It makes me feel very good that we have accomplished that. I congratulate you for what you are able to accomplish here with your Knight Templar Eye Foundation funds. I would like to commend the Sir Knight that put together the Golf Tournament for the Knight Templar Eye Foundation or your York Rite charities here in Missouri. I will tell you that we have done something similar in Texas and we have raised as much as \$1,500 to \$2,000 out of a golf tournament.

Holy Land Pilgrimage, unfortunately with the problems in the Middle East, I have to take the stand that as long as the United States State Department says do not go there, we cannot go there. We have investigated alternate trips to parts of the world where maybe Paul journeyed, Greece and Turkey.

On behalf of Dr. William Jackson Jones, he asked me to please, again, express his thanks to all of you good Sir Knights from the Grand Commandery of Missouri for your support for the 62nd Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment this past August.

Some of you may know, there are some new rules and regulations, if you will, for the Knights Templar Education Foundation. If you have not seen them, you will be seeing them shortly. We are encouraging, not demanding, those Grand Commanderies

who no longer wish to be in the loan business to get out of it and get into a grant/scholarship business. But, that is your choice, it is your Grand Commandery, your division, your funds, and you must make that decision

Most Worshipful Grand Master, it is wonderful to see the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of any jurisdiction sitting in a Grand York Rite meeting as you have done, and showing support for the York Rite bodies of your state. We do commend you, wish you well, and congratulate you for a wonderful term.

Right Eminent Sir, thank you and your lady. On behalf of my lady Arlene and me, it has been wonderful to be here. I will have other words for you later tonight relative to your grade on your inspection. I am here to inspect your Grand Commandery. Sir Knights, we have some Grand Commanderies who are on thin ice. They ought to be about the business of doing their work. You ARE about the business of doing your work. I congratulate you sir on all the things you have done, your presence at many of our meetings, the Easter Observance and the Department Conference. We do appreciate the courtesies and hospitalities that you have extended to Arlene and me.

My final words are the words of our Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas. Sir Knights, it is not a song until you sing it, it is not a bell until you ring it, and I can tell you it is not Freemasonry until you live it. So, get out and live it up. May God bless the Grand Commandery of Missouri. Thank you Sir Knights.

AFTERNOON SESSION: AWARDS PRESENTATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

AWARDS PRESENTATION



Grand Master Fischer and Grand Commander Yunick present Sir Knight and Grand Prelate Kevin E. Weaver with his Grand Encampment Membership Jewel.

2003-2004 HONOR COMMANDERY AWARDS

Grand Commandery Yunick presents the 2003-2004 Honor Commandery Awards. *Award recipients may be found in the report of the Committee on Honor Commanderies on page 269.*

CRUSADING KNIGHT OF SILOAM MEDALS

Grand Commander Yunick presents SK's David C. Warburton and Larry T. Odom with the Crusading Knight of Siloam Medals.



Grand Master Fischer and Grand Commander Yunick present Crusading Knight of Siloam and Grand Master's Club awards to Sir Knights Robert W. Schlichter, Stanley M. Thompson, and Marion W. Dey.

KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE TEMPLE AWARDS



Sir Knight Mayford, on behalf of the College of Honors of the Grand Encampment, presents Knights Commander of the Temple awards to Sir Knights Robert W. Schlichter, Bob L. Detherow, and Ronnie E. Green.

2003-2004 COMMANDERY LEWIS AND CLARK AWARDS



SK Yunick presents the 2003-2004 Commandery Lewis and Clark Awards. Award recipients may be found in the historical listing of the same on pages 295-298.

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION



Grand Commander Yunick presents Robert H. Bray with a Certificate of Appreciation for service above and beyond the call of duty for his design of the Grand Commandery Honor Commandery Award and personal contribution of \$500.00 toward the purchase of the new jewels. Also, Cory Huntsucker (Oriental Commandery No. 35) received a Certificate of Appreciation for service above and beyond the call of duty for their contribution of \$500.00 toward the purchase of the new jewels. Together, they saved the Grand Commandery \$1,000.00. The Grand Commander thanked them on behalf of the Grand Commandery of Missouri.

COMMANDERY OF THE YEAR AWARD



Grand Commander Yunick presents the Sir Knights of Rolla Commandery No. 59 the Commandery of the Year award.

OUTSTANDING LINE OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Grand Commander Yunick presents SK Russell S. Hanson, Grand Warder, with the Outstanding Line Officer of the Year award, for services above and beyond the call of duty to the Grand Commander and the Grand Commandery of Missouri.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR

Award presentation was made at the annual banquet, see page 338. List of historical recipients, 294.



Grand Commandery Altar Cloth donated by Robert H. Bray.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

INTRODUCTION OF INSTALLING OFFICERS



SK Lionel J. Goede, REPGC, introduces the installing officers.

Jerry F. Ward, REPGC
Robert W. Schlichter, PC
Emory J. Hampel, Grand Prelate Emeritus

Installing Grand Commander
Installing Grand Marshal
Installing Prelate



SK Schlichter presents the officers elected and appointed for installation.



Installing Grand Commander Ward issues the vow of office to SK Steinmetz.



SK Yunik presents the new Grand Commander with his new epaulettes.



Grand Commander Steinmetz presents the Past Grand Commander with his jewel of office. The jewel belonged to SK Pressley L. Crummy, REPGC 1974-1975, and member of Ely Commandery No. 22.



On behalf of the Sir Knights of Ely Commandery No. 22, SK Cundiff presents Past Grand Commander Yunick with a new chapeau and sword belt.



Sir Knights Marion W. Dey and Kevin B. Sample present Past Grand Commander Yunick with the epaulettes of his new office.



On behalf of the officers and members of Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8, the new Grand Commander is presented with an IOU for one new chapeau.



On behalf of the officers and members of Ascalon Commandery No. 16, the new Grand Commander is presented with a new sword belt.

GRAND COMMANDERY CALLED TO REST

The new Grand Commander recognized the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment and other distinguished Sir Knights, and thanked them all for their attendance. The business of the Grand Commandery being concluded, the Grand Commander called the annual conclave to rest.

RELIGIOUS SERVICE

Sunday, May 16, 2004, 8:00 a.m.

SK Lewis C. Odneal, Grand Prelate

The crucifixion of Jesus is such a horrible event; it is natural for us to assume we would have had no part in rejecting him or putting him to death. Is it true that we would have known better and done better?

Prelude**Grand Organist****Call to Worship**

He was despised and rejected by man.

A MAN OF SORROWS AND ACQUAINTED WITH GRIEF

And as one from whom men hid their faces

HE WAS DESPISED AND WE ESTEEMED HIM NOT

All we like sheep have gone astray

WE HAVE TURNED EVERY ONE TO HIS OWN WAYLet us seek to return to the ways of God as we worship. (*Isaiah 53:3-6a*)***God of Grace and God of Glory***

God of grace and God of glory,
 On Thy people pour Thy power.
 Crown Thine ancient church's story,
 Bring her bud to glorious flower.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
 For the facing of this hour,
 For the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil 'round us,
 Scorn Thy Christ, assail His ways.
 From the fears that long have bound us,
 Free our hearts to faith and praise.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
 For the living of these days,
 For the living of these days.

Cure Thy children's warring madness,
 Bend our pride to Thy control.
 Shame our wanton selfish gladness,
 Rich in things and poor in soul.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
 Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal,
 Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation,
 To the evils we deplore.
 Let the search for Thy salvation,

Be our glory evermore.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
 Serving Thee Whom we adore,
 Serving Thee Whom we adore.



Prayer of Adoration

Loving God, we marvel at your persistence and your patience in dealing with us. You never give up on us. Your love never lets us go. Your challenges never let us off. We thank you that even when we let you down, you lift us up again with the forgiving hands of mercy and grace. Amen.

The Apostles Creed The Gloria Patri

Pass It On

It only takes a spark, to get a fire going,
 and soon all those around can warm up in its glowing.
 That's how it is with God's Love, once you've experienced it,
 you spread his love to everyone; you want to pass it on.

What a wondrous time is spring, when all the trees are budding,
 the birds begin to sing, the flowers start their blooming.
 That's how it is with God's Love, once you've experienced it,
 you want to sing, it's fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.

I wish for you, my friend, this happiness that I've found,
 you can depend on him, it matters not where you're bound.
 I'll shout it from the mountain top, I want my world to know,
 the Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

Scripture (Luke 20:9-19)
Special Music, "The Old Rugged Cross"
Sermon, "Are You Talking About Me?"

Grand Prelate
Grand Chorister
Grand Prelate

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound,
 that saved a wretch like me?
 I once was lost, but now am found;
 was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Benediction
Postlude

Grand Prelate
Grand Organist

Collection for Knights Templar Eye Foundation

ERRATA

The following is a listing of known corrections to the 2003 Proceedings of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri.

Page 201	First caption, change "Newy York" to "New York"
Page 208	Second paragraph, change "hospitality show" to "hospitality shown"
Page 214	Statistical, Number of Members, December 31, "2002" should be "2001"
Page 245	Fourth paragraph, second sentence, change "no" to "not"
Page 256	Second paragraph, second sentence, strike second "members who"
Page 256	Third paragraph, second sentence, change "Region al" to "Regional"
Page 262	Installation of Officers, change Ronald E. Wood, Jr. "PC" to "HPGC"
Page 266	Religious Service, should be SK William A. Perry
Page 269	Knights Templar Cross of Honor, 1986 should be Edmond E. Jones
Page 269	Knights Templar Cross of Honor, 1994 should be William E. Criss
Page 273	1999, Robert W. Schlichter, change Kansas City 10 to Liberty 6
Page 285	Addition of Daniel R. Quesenberry, Assistant Grand Chorister
Page 324	Change Alumbaugh phone number to 816-650-3358

Corrections to the 2004 proceedings are to be addressed in writing to the Grand Recorder for publication in the 2005 proceedings.

REFERENCE

The following pages give reference to historical and current information pertaining to the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri.

ELECTED AND APOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY

(Complete listing to be published every 10 years.)

YEAR	GRAND COMMANDER	DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDER	GRAND GENERALISSIMO	GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL	GRAND SENIOR WARDEN	GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN	GRAND PRELATE
May, 1967	James H. Gockertum	Lloyd E. Poore	Harlan C. Boehm	William E. Janieson	W. Bush Walden	Joseph W. Nickle	Z. Willard Gunkel
May, 1968	Lloyd E. Poore	Harlan C. Boehm	W. Bush Walden	Joseph W. Nickle	Leslie R. Cox, Jr.	Marion L. Dollison	Z. Willard Gunkel
May, 1969	Harlan C. Boehm	W. Bush Walden	Joseph W. Nickle	Leslie R. Cox, Jr.	Marion L. Dollison	Marion L. Dollison	Z. Willard Gunkel
May, 1970	W. Bush Walden	Joseph W. Nickle	Leslie R. Cox, Jr.	Marion L. Dollison	Presley L. Crummy	F. Powell Rodecker	Z. Willard Gunkel
May, 1971	Joseph W. Nickle	Leslie R. Cox, Jr.	Marion L. Dollison	Presley L. Crummy	F. Powell Rodecker	Oren J. Hardman	* Z. Willard Gunkel
May, 1972	Leslie R. Cox, Jr.	Marion L. Dollison	Presley L. Crummy	Blair C. Mayford	Don M. Long	William A. Slaughter	Herbert P. Davis
May, 1973	Marion L. Dollison	Presley L. Crummy	Blair C. Mayford	John W. Irons	Blair C. Mayford	Jewell B. Clark	Frank B. Kellogg
May, 1974	Presley L. Crummy	Blair C. Mayford	John W. Irons	Walter F. Ruestman	Jewell B. Clark	Marvin L. Painter	John W. Goodwin
May, 1975	Blair C. Mayford	John W. Irons	Walter F. Ruestman	Jewell B. Clark	Marvin L. Painter	William H. Sattler	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1976	John W. Irons	Walter F. Ruestman	Jewell B. Clark	Marvin L. Painter	William H. Sattler	Henry R. Stoker	Marvin Forde
May, 1977	Walter F. Ruestman	Jewell B. Clark	Marvin L. Painter	William H. Sattler	Henry R. Stoker	Austin G. Felton	G. G. Greenway, Jr.
May, 1978	Jewell B. Clark	Marvin L. Painter	William H. Sattler	Henry R. Stoker	Austin G. Felton	Robert D. Jenkins	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1979	Marvin L. Painter	William H. Sattler	Henry R. Stoker	Austin G. Felton	Robert D. Jenkins	Robert G. Bird	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1980	William H. Sattler	Henry R. Stoker	Austin G. Felton	Robert D. Jenkins	Robert G. Bird	Donald L. Hattie	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1981	Henry R. Stoker	Austin G. Felton	Robert G. Bird	Donald L. Hattie	Robert G. Bird	Oren J. Hardman	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1982	Austin G. Felton	Robert G. Bird	Robert G. Bird	Donald L. Hattie	Oren J. Hardman	Edwin C. Carpenter	Marvin Forde
May, 1983	Robert D. Jenkins	Robert G. Bird	Donald L. Hattie	Oren J. Hardman	Edwin C. Carpenter	Chester H. Hazen	E. L. Dierking
May, 1984	Robert G. Bird	Donald L. Hattie	Oren J. Hardman	Edwin C. Carpenter	Chester H. Hazen	Jacob C. Baird	W. Tribbey Nickerson
May, 1985	Donald L. Hattie	Oren J. Hardman	Edwin C. Carpenter	Chester H. Hazen	Jacob C. Baird	Kenneth L. Buck	M. Graham Clark
May, 1986	Oren J. Hardman	Edwin C. Carpenter	Chester H. Hazen	Jacob C. Baird	Kenneth L. Buck	Jerry F. Ward	Arthur L. Mallory
May, 1987	Chester H. Hazen	Jacob C. Baird	Kenneth L. Buck	Jerry F. Ward	James H. Pennington	Ronald D. Tarr	Charles F. Reikopf
May, 1988	Jacob C. Baird	Kenneth L. Buck	Jerry F. Ward	James H. Pennington	Ronald D. Tarr	J. Edward Blinn	Woodson O. Bennett, Sr.
April, 1989	Kenneth L. Buck	Jerry F. Ward	James H. Pennington	Ronald D. Tarr	J. Edward Blinn	Donald L. Trabue	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1990	Jerry F. Ward	James H. Pennington	Ronald D. Tarr	J. Edward Blinn	Donald L. Trabue	Billy J. Boyer	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1991	James H. Pennington	Ronald D. Tarr	J. Edward Blinn	Donald L. Trabue	Billy J. Boyer	J. Eric Allen	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 1992	Ronald D. Tarr	J. Edward Blinn	Donald L. Trabue	Billy J. Boyer	J. Eric Allen	Danny L. Ferguson	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1993	J. Edward Blinn	Donald L. Trabue	Billy J. Boyer	J. Eric Allen	Danny L. Ferguson	Harold J. Richardson	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1994	Donald L. Trabue	Billy J. Boyer	Danny L. Ferguson	Harold J. Richardson	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	James J. Gibbons	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1995	Billy J. Boyer	Danny L. Ferguson	Harold J. Richardson	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	James J. Gibbons	Lionel J. Goede	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1996	Danny L. Ferguson	Harold J. Richardson	James J. Gibbons	Lionel J. Goede	Rocky E. Weaver	Robert L. Hudson	Emory J. Hampel
May, 1997	Harold J. Richardson	James J. Gibbons	Lionel J. Goede	Rocky E. Weaver	Robert L. Hudson	William S. Hall	Stanton T. Brown
May, 1998	James J. Gibbons	Rocky E. Weaver	Lionel J. Goede	Robert L. Hudson	William S. Hall	Benjamin C. Moore	P. Vincent Kinkead
May, 1999	Lionel J. Goede	Rocky E. Weaver	Robert L. Hudson	William S. Hall	Benjamin C. Moore	Thomas C. Yumick	William A. Moore
May, 2000	Rocky E. Weaver	Robert L. Hudson	William S. Hall	Benjamin C. Moore	Thomas C. Yumick	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	Emory J. Hampel
May, 2001	Robert L. Hudson	William S. Hall	* Benjamin C. Moore	Thomas C. Yumick	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	James E. Snively	William A. Perry
May, 2002	William S. Hall	Thomas C. Yumick	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	James E. Snively	Marvin L. Frost	Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.	Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.
May, 2003	Thomas C. Yumick	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	James E. Snively	Marvin L. Frost	Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.	James J. Hayes	Lewis C. Odneal
May, 2004	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	James E. Snively	Marvin L. Frost	Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.	James J. Hayes	John E. Thraikill	Kevin E. Weaver

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ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY

(Complete listing to be published every 10 years.)

YEAR	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND RECORDER	GRAND STANDARD BEARER	GRAND SWORD BEARER	GRAND WARDER	GRAND SENTINEL	GRAND REVIEWER
May, 1967	Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt	Leslie R. Cox, Jr.	Marion L. Dollison	Pressley L. Cummy	Elmer A. Hoffmann	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1968	Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt		A. Maurice Wilson	Charles C. Culer	Lloyd J. Carroll	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1969	Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt	* R. Marvin Cowden	Marvin O. Sherman	C. Leonard Gasper	Luther O. Wicecarver	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1970	Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt	Blair C. Mayford	Ralph E. Hahn	George William Bush	Don M. Long	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1971	Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt	Walter F. Ruessman	John M. Bennett	Jewell B. Clark	Loren S. Kirkpatrick	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1972	Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt	Derrel Buzzard	Kenneth L. Buck	Emory J. Hampel	LeRoy A. Van Loon	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1973	Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt	William H. Sutliff	Marvin L. Painter	Joseph S. Gardner	Emory J. Hampel	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1974	Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt	Robert D. Jenkins	Jack C. Chambers	F. Everett Landliser	Roy L. Fortney	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1975	Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt	Logan E. Wing, Jr.	William Gamblian	Arthur J. Rhodes	Herbert C. Krumrey	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1976	Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt	Edwin C. Carpenter	Joyce W. Stafford	Walter S. Hunley	Loren V. Koch	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1977	* Morris E. Ewing	Bruce H. Hunt	Howard D. Watkins	Kenneth D. Miller	Oscar Ryffel	Meat E. Blake	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1978	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	William H. Sticker	L. O. Wicecarver	James M. Roberts	William S. Skinner	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1979	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Arthur E. Schneider	Emmett Edwards	Kenneth L. Buck	Oren J. Hardman	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1980	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Arthur E. Schneider	Emmett Edwards	Kenneth L. Buck	Gail B. Morrison	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1981	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Carl C. Hibbs	John E. Crites	Frank Golden, Jr.	Glen E. Walters	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1982	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Edwin C. Carpenter	Chester H. Hazen	Jacob C. Baird	Charles C. Cutler	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1983	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Chester H. Hazen	Jacob C. Baird	Kenneth L. Buck	Paul K. Kawakami	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1984	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Jacob C. Baird	Kenneth L. Buck	James R. Tinkler, Sr.	Kenneth D. Miller	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1985	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Kenneth L. Buck	James R. Tinkler, Sr.	Jerry F. Ward	Donald E. Swanson, Jr.	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1986	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Bruce H. Hunt	James H. Pennington	Donald D. Tarr	Thomas H. Merrill	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1987	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Jerry F. Ward	Ronald D. Tarr	Ronald E. Swanson, Jr.	Samuel V. Cochran	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1988	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	J. Edward Blinn	Donald L. Trubue	Billy J. Boyer	Donald S. Maness	Bruce Harmon Hunt
April, 1989	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Donald L. Trubue	Billy J. Boyer	J. Eric Allen	George C. Hunt	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1990	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Billy J. Boyer	Danny L. Ferguson	Danny L. Ferguson	Donald H. Venable	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1991	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	J. Eric Allen	Danny L. Ferguson	Harold J. Richardson	William T. Riggs	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1992	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Danny L. Ferguson	Harold J. Richardson	Howard L. Adkins	C. Richard Carter	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1993	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Harold J. Richardson	Howard L. Adkins	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	Kenneth L. Dunlap	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1994	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	* Howard L. Adkins	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	James J. Gibbons	Marion W. Dey	Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1995	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Lionel J. Goede	Rocky E. Weaver	Robert L. Hudson	Jose R. Palacios	* Bruce Harmon Hunt
May, 1996	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Rocky E. Weaver	Benjamin C. Moore	Thomas C. Yumick	William E. Criss	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 1997	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	William S. Hall	Benjamin C. Moore	Thomas C. Yumick	E. Wayne Mund	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 1998	E. Allen Kohler	Bruce H. Hunt	Benjamin C. Moore	Thomas C. Yumick	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	Randell J. Jones	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 1999	Donald L. Trubue	Bruce H. Hunt	Thomas C. Yumick	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	James E. Stavelly	Richard A. Henderson	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 2000	Donald L. Trubue	Bruce H. Hunt	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	James E. Stavelly	Marvin W. Frost	Gerald V. Phillips	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
May, 2001	Donald L. Trubue	Bruce H. Hunt	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	Marvin W. Frost	Federick A. Troxel, Jr.	Larry D. Wyatt	Kevin B. Sample
May, 2002	Donald L. Trubue	Bruce H. Hunt	Kevin B. Sample	James J. Hayes	John E. Thraikill	Orville W. Newberry	Kevin B. Sample
May, 2003	Donald L. Trubue	Bruce H. Hunt	Kevin B. Sample	John E. Thraikill	Russell S. Hanson	Richard L. Mansfield	Kevin B. Sample
May, 2004	Donald L. Trubue	Bruce H. Hunt	Kevin B. Sample	Ronnie E. Green	Daniel R. Quesenberry	Harry C. Reed, Jr.	Kevin B. Sample

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KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR

The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America awards the Knights Templar Cross of Honor to only one deserving and distinguished Sir Knight in Missouri each year.

Recipient	Year	Recipient	Year
* Marvin O. Sherman	1966	George William Bush	1985
* William H. Goedeke	1967	* William E. Jones	1986
* William J. Holdoway	1968	* George Leland Hewitt	1987
Robert L. Searfoss	1968	William W. Gray	1988
* John Edward Hale	1969	Danny L. Ferguson	1989
* Chester McKelvey Turley	1969	* Earl S. Eoff	1990
* Milton Clifford Engelhardt	1970	Walter B. Ray, Sr.	1991
* E. Jere Deal	1971	Morning E. Collins	1992
* William Pressley Mathews	1972	Joseph H. Collison	1993
* Guy E. Kirkman	1973	William Edward Criss	1994
* Harry B. Smith	1974	Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.	1995
* LeRoy A. Van Loon	1975	* Ernest J. Thacker	1996
Mearl Richard Blake	1976	Bob L. Detherow	1997
* Lloyd Pressley Sharp	1977	Logan Wing	1998
* Cay S. Smith	1978	Wayne E. Wilson	1999
* Loren V. Koch	1979	Emory J. Hampel	2000
* Robert Marion Cater	1980	None	2001
* George Pressley Grah	1981	None	2002
* William H. Vobbe	1982	Forrest Gilbert Lowe	2003
* Walter C. Ploeser	1983	Harry C. Reed, Jr.	2004
* Howard D. Watkins	1984		

(* *Deceased*)

DISTINGUISHED COMMANDERY

Year	Recipient
1990	Liberty Commandery No. 6
1991	Fountain City Commandery No. 55
1992	Ascalon Commandery No. 16
1993	Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 4
1994	Boanerges Commandery No. 34
1995	NONE AWARDED
1996	NONE AWARDED
1997	Lebanon No. 33
1998	NONE AWARDED
1999	Rolla Commandery No. 59
2000	DeSoto Commandery No. 56
2001	Palestine Commandery No. 17
2002	Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8
2003	Lebanon Commandery No. 33
2004	NONE AWARDED

GRAND COMMANDERY LEWIS AND CLARK AWARDS**1988**

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	Donald C. Treece	Memphis	41
2	Gene Paul Porter	Godfrey de Boullion	24
3	Danny L. Ferguson	Mary	19
4	Hugh W. Harrison	Rolla	59
5	Lionel J. Goede	Ascalon	16
6	Harold J. Richardson	De Soto	56
7	William E. Brenneman	Lebanon	33

1989

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	L. Dale Gardner	Ely	22
2	Herbert N. Sutherland	Bethany	42
3	Howard Van Meter	Bayard	26
4	James E. English, Jr.	St. Graal	12
5	Morning E. Collins	Ascalon	16
6	Charles W. Carlstrom	Poplar Bluff	67
7	Earl S. Eoff	St. John's	20

1990

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	Fred F. Stuecken	Tancred	25
2	Joseph Collison	Weston	2
3	William E. Criss	Mary	19
4	Arthur E. Schneider	St. Graal	12
5	William D. Townley	St. Charles	73
6	John E. Crites	Cape Girardeau	55
7	William A. Moore	St. John's	20

1991

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	Charles E. Ray	Emmanuel	7
2	Logan E. Wing, Jr.	Hugh de Payens	4
3	Ray S. Davis	East Gate	70
4	E. Ewing Shikles	Prince of Peace	29
5	Ernest J. Thacker	Ascalon	16
6	E. Wayne Mund	De Soto	56
7	Von B. Berry	St. John's	20

1992

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	Edward L. Smith	Harve de Grace	63
2	Edward E. Wilson	Hugh de Payens	4
3	Harry L. Bone	East Gate	70
4	T R Havens	Rolla	59
5	Louis L. Monken	Ascalon	16
6	Kevin B. Sample	Poplar Bluff	67
7	Jack E. Scheurich	Lebanon	33

1993

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	Thomas C. Yunick	Ely	22
2	William F. Tatum	Hugh de Payens	4
3	Rocky E. Weaver	Liberty	6
4	None		
5	None		
6	Alvin E. Gerstenschlager	De Soto	56
7	None		

1994

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	None		
2	None		
3	Frederick J. Morrow	Liberty	6
4	Robert L. Hudson	Prince of Peace	29
5	William T. Riggs	St. Charles	73
6	E. Wayne Mund	De Soto	56
7	James H. Whitman	St. Elmo	43

1995

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	William F. Strode	Excalibar	5
2	Albert L. Kowitz	Hugh de Payens	4
3	Gerald V. Phillips	East Gate	70
4	Jared S. Price	Crusade	23
5	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	Ivanhoe	8
6	P. Vincent Kinkead	De Soto	56
7	Donald S. Maness	St. John's	20

1996

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	None		
2	Frank R. Bireline	Hugh de Payens	4
3	Bruce L. Smith	Boanerges	34
4	Michael C. Glawson	Calvary	28
5	José R. Palacios	Ivanhoe	8
6	Bill A. Humble	Poplar Bluff	67
7	Grant W. John	Lebanon	33

1997

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	None		
2	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	Hugh de Payens	4
3A	Rusty Ludlam	Mary	19
3B	Edward Vought	Boanerges	34
4	Walter Ray	Rolla	59
5	Emory J. Hampel	Ascalon	16
6	LeRoy D. Unruh	De Soto	56
7	None		

1998

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	Earl Hayes	Harve de Grace	63
2	James Gibbany	Albany	60
3A	Robert Brizendine	East Gate	70
3B	William L. Reed	St. Omer	11
4	Marion W. Dey	St. Graal	12
5	Richard A. Henderson	Ascalon	16
6	James E. Snavelly	De Soto	56
7	None		

1999

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	None		
2	None		
3A	Orville Newberry	East Gate	70
3B	Robert W. Schlichter	Liberty	6
4	Russell S. Hanson	St. Graal	12
5	None		
6	None		
7	Robert DeVore	St. John's	20
7	Tony Agostini	St. John's	20

2000

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	None		
2	Gene Rethemeyer	Hugh de Payens	4
3A/B	Granville H. Masoner	St. Omer	11
3C	Mark S. Schroer	DeMolay	3
4	Robert H. Bray	Temple	38
5	David Vogler	Ascalon	16
5	Harry C. Reed, Jr.	St. Charles	73
6	Steven C. Monrotus	De Soto	56
7A	Marvin W. Frost	Jasper	31
7B	Gayle D. Bedell	Ascension	39

2001

Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	David Lloyd	Ely	22
2	Paul E. Ellis	Godfrey de Bouillon	24
3A	John W. Hess	Kansas City	10
3B	Allen B. Bess	St. Omer	11
4	Paul W. Kittle	Rolla	59
5	Robert E. Plummer	St. Charles	73
6	James J. Hayes	De Soto	56
7A	Albert E. Folds	Lebanon	33
7B	Bill D. Spiva	Neosho	57

2002			
Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	Randy Sands	Ely	22
2	J B Seevers	Hugh de Payens	4
3A	Forrest G. Lowe	East Gate	70
3B	Harold Ronald Butler	St. Omer	11
4	Walter D. Winborn	St. Graal (Olivet 53)	12
5	Ronnie E. Green	Ascalon	16
6	None		
7A	None		
7B	David Franklin Phillips	O'Sullivan	15
2003			
Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	David D. Powell	Ely	22
2	Timothy D. Munday	Godfrey de Bouillon	24
3A	Daniel R. Quesenberry	Palestine	17
3B	Kenneth J. Wasson	St. Omer	11
4	Lewis C. Odneal	Temple	38
5	Kevin E. Weaver	Ascalon	16
6	Richard E. Jump	DeSoto	56
7A	James O. Loomis	Jasper	31
7B	Michael E. Day	Lebanon	33
2004			
Region	Name	Commandery	No.
1	Carl R. Baldwin	Ely	22
2A	Claude M. Eckert	Godfrey de Bouillon	24
2B	Kenneth Fousek	St. Amand	64
3A	Frank R. von Geyso	Liberty	6
3B	Eddie M. Ludlum	Mary	19
4	Paul R. Cannon	Rolla	59
5	Frederick L. Heger	Ascalon	16
6	James R. Tinker, Sr.	Poplar Bluff	67
7A	James D. Hardy	Ascension	39
7B	Weston Brad Bembry	Lebanon	33

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
TO AND FROM THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MISSOURI**

From Missouri	Jurisdiction	To Missouri
Floyd L. Hambrick, Jr.	Alabama	Frank R. von Geyso
John R. Prather	Arizona	Jerry F. Ward
Richard S. Boothman	Arkansas	José R. Palacios
Lyle P. Bird	California	Russell S. Hanson
Donald J. Whittington	Colorado	P. Vincent Kinkead
Robert A. Colbourn	Connecticut	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.
Charles A. Depfer	Delaware	Chester H. Hazen
Lester A. Foster	District of Columbia	Stanton T. Brown
Frank B. Buell	Florida	David H. Lewis
Lee D. Holcomb	Georgia	Brian J. Densmore
John R. Garner	Idaho	Larry D. Wyatt
Charles A. Brown	Illinois	Nicholas F. Steinmetz
Clarence Harter	Indiana	James E. Snaveley
Albert R. Masters	Iowa	Rocky E. Weaver
Salvo Barbagallo	Italy	Francis A. Latragna
Carl R. Trude	Kansas	Bob L. Detherow
Emery DeWitt	Kentucky	Robert G. Bird
Michael F. Harrelson	Louisiana	Harold J. Richardson
David C. Fairbairn	Maine	James H. Cockerham
James J. Morgan	Maryland	Gerald V. Phillips
Donald D. Stewart	Massachusetts/Rhode Island	William R. Robbins
James W. Clark	Michigan	Marion W. Dey
Raymond C. Sporre	Minnesota	Thomas C. Yunick
Jeffie C. Dukes	Mississippi	Marvin W. Frost
R. Wayne Morris	Montana	Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.
John F. Dale	Nebraska	James J. Gibbons
James E. Denny	Nevada	Donald L. Trabue
Herbert H. Hutchinson	New Hampshire	Marvin L. Painter
Ernest Eugene Fricks, Jr.	New Jersey	Blair C. Mayford
Antonio E. Storga	New Mexico	William S. Hall
James R. MacConnell	New York	Harry C. Reed, Jr.
Douglas S. Moore	North Carolina	J. Edward Blinn
Raymond E. Dunham	North Dakota	James M. Williams
Robert R. Neff	Ohio	Emory J. Hampel
Richard W. Armstrong	Oklahoma	Lionel J. Goede
Fred W. Renstrom	Oregon	Larry T. Odom
Bryan L. Berry	Pennsylvania	Billy J. Boyer
José R. Dizon	Philippines	Robert Owens
Joseph E. Parnell	South Carolina	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
Albert D. Vogele	South Dakota	Kevin B. Sample
George R. Green	Tennessee	Frank W. Hazelrigg, Jr.
A. Glen McCandless	Texas	LeRoy D. Unruh
Deceased - Pending	Utah	Robert L. Hudson
Frank W. Bailey	Vermont	David D. Powell

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
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(Continued)**

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George Abbott Page	Virginia	Jacob C. Baird
Steven K. Gerstner	Washington	Teddie E. Harrison
Julian R. Huffman	West Virginia	Robert W. Schlichter
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Don R. Wassenburg	Wyoming	Mark S. Schroer

(Address information for Grand Representatives to and from Missouri is available from the Grand Recorder.)

**LIVING PAST GRAND COMMANDERS
OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

Living Past Grand Commanders	Year
William R. Robbins (24)	1964-1965
James H. Cockerham (8)	1967-1968
Blair C. Mayford (16)	1975-1976
Marvin L. Painter (12)	1979-1980
Robert D. Jenkins (68)	1983-1984
Robert G. Bird (20)	1984-1985
Donald L. Hiatte (29)	1985-1986
Chester H. Hazen (70)	1987-1988
Jacob C. Baird (66)	1988-1989
Jerry F. Ward (6)	1990-1991
Ronald D. Tarr (22)	1992-1993
J. Edward Blinn (20)	1993-1994
J. Eric Allen (15) <i>(Honorary)</i>	1994
Donald L. Trabue (29)	1994-1995
E. Allen Kohler (25) <i>(Honorary)</i>	1995
Billy J. Boyer (16)	1995-1996
Vern H. Schneider (8) <i>(Honorary)</i>	1996
Ronald E. Wood, Jr. (4) <i>(Honorary)</i>	1996
Danny L. Ferguson (19)	1996-1997
Harold J. Richardson (56)	1997-1998
James J. Gibbons (20)	1998-1999
Lionel J. Goede (16)	1999-2000
Rocky E. Weaver (6,10,16,17)	2000-2001
Robert L. Hudson (29)	2001-2002
William S. Hall (70)	2002-2003
Thomas C. Yunick (22)	2003-2004

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North Dakota	Merle L. Huhner	P.O. Box 9544, Fargo, ND 58106-9544	(701) 793-3765
Ohio	Richard H. Palm	3005 Foster Dr. NE, Warren, OH 44483	(330) 395-0231
Oklahoma	Ralph K. Harris	1630 South 101st East Avenue, Tulsa, OK 74128-4630	(918) 622-4221
Oregon	Dalvin L. Hollaway	P.O. Box 767, Canyonville, OR 97417-0767	(541) 839-4326
Pennsylvania	Walter G. DePrefontaine	1 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107	(215) 567-5836
Philippines	Isaac F. Arribas, Jr.	Plaridel Masonic Temple, 1440 San Marcelino Street, Ermita Manila, Philippines	
South Carolina	Johnnie T. Morris	P.O. Box 7463, Columbia, SC 29202-7463	(803) 799-9159
South Dakota	Richard C. Geib	609 Wayside Dr., Rapid City, SD 57702	(605) 343-6095
Tennessee	Luther Alvin Hill, Sr.	P.O. Box 24216, Nashville, TN 37202	(615) 255-2625
Texas	Lloyd L. Chance	507 S. Harwood St., Dallas, TX 75201	(214) 651-6070
Utah	Owen C. Orton	4220 S. 4900 West, West Valley City, UT 84120-4823	(801) 966-2953
Vermont	Phillip D. Goss	49 East Road - Berlin, Barre, VT 05641-5390	(802) 223-0411
Virginia	John Foster	4101 Nine Mile Rd., Richmond, VA 23223-4999	(804) 226-8027
Washington	Norman F. Campo	823 High Ave., Bremerton, WA 98337	(360) 377-5639
Wasilla-Palmer UD	V. Clifford Darnell	P.O. Box 520955, Big Lake, Wasilla 99652-0955	
West Virginia	Edward E. Ball	200 Beacon Drive Ext., Weirton, WV 26062-4904	(304) 723-1873
Wisconsin	Milton F. Gregory	36275 Sunset Drive, Dousman, WI 53118	(262) 965-2200
Wyoming	Kenneth S. Watts	506 West Park Ave., Riverton, WY 82501	(307) 856-5255
Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the USA	Charles E. Neumann	5097 N. Elston, Suite 101, Chicago, IL 60630	(773) 777-3300

2004-2005 REGIONAL GRAND COMMANDERS

Region	Name
1	Clyde F. Bondy, Jr.
2A	Larry T. Odom
2B	Timothy D. Munday
3A	Brian J. Densmore
3B	John W. Gibson, Jr.
4	Harold F. Coots
5	David R. Vogler
6	Richard E. Jump
7A	Gayle D. Bedell
7B	Albert E. Folds

2004-2005 GRAND COMMANDERY STANDING COMMITTEES

Address of Grand Commander	
Thomas C. Yunick, Chairman	William S. Hall
Robert L. Hudson	
Credentials	
Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman	Phillip W. Engel
Gary A. Phillips	
Finance and Accounts	
James E. Snavelly, Chairman	(1 year)
Kirk McDaniel, Jr.	(2 years)
Harold J. Richardson	(3 years)
Lionel J. Goede	(4 years)
Hospitaler	
Marvin W. Frost, Chairman	Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.
James J. Hayes	
Returns of Commanderies	
Fred F. Stuecken, Chairman	Phillip W. Engel
Gary A. Phillips	
Templar Jurisprudence	
Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman	Jacob C. Baird
Rocky E. Weaver	Robert L. Hudson
Time and Place	
James E. Snavelly, Chairman	Marvin W. Frost
Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.	

2004-2005 GRAND COMMANDERY STANDING COMMITTEES (Continued)**Triennial**

Lionel J. Goede, Chairman
Harold J. Richardson

Marvin W. Frost

2004-2005 GRAND COMMANDERY SPECIAL COMMITTEES**Audit**

Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman
Ronnie E. Green

Kirk McDaniel, Jr.

Charter & Seal Review

Kevin B. Sample, Chairman
Regional Grand Commanders

John E. Thrailkill

Conclave Program Book

Lionel J. Goede, Chairman

Virginia L. Goede, Editor

Drill

Lionel J. Goede, Chairman
Emory J. Hampel

Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.
Marion W. Dey

Drill Judges

José R. Palacios, Senior Judge
Jerry F. Ward
Stanton T. Brown

Emory J. Hampel
Ralph E. Nolan
Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.

Drill/Tactics Workshop

Frederick A. Troxel, Jr., Chairman

Easter Sunrise Service, D.C.

Richard L. Mansfield, Chairman
Richard A. Henderson

Regional Grand Commanders

Education Foundation

Forrest G. Lowe, Chairman
Harold F. Coots
James M. Williams
Kevin E. Weaver
Robert H. Bray
Kevin B. Sample, Secretary
Donald L. Trabue, Treasurer

(2 years)
(5 years)
(1 year)
(3 years)
(4 years)

Electronic Communications

Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

Aaron M. Shoemaker, Webmaster

2004-2005 GRAND COMMANDERY SPECIAL COMMITTEES (Continued)**Endowed Membership**

Harold J. Richardson, Chairman	Donald L. Trabue
Kevin B. Sample	

Golf Tournament

William J. Bowser, Chairman	Kevin B. Sample
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Holy Land Pilgrimage

Kevin E. Weaver, Chairman	Lewis C. Odneal
Emory J. Hampel	

Honor Commandery Award

James E. Snavelly, Chairman	Marvin W. Frost
Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.	

Honor Commandery Award Medallion

Marvin W. Frost, Chairman	Robert H. Bray
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Investments

Donald L. Trabue, Chairman	Harold J. Richardson
James E. Snavelly	

Knights Templar Eye Foundation

Louis L. Monken, Chairman

Knights Templar Magazine

Ronald E. Wood, Jr., Editor

Long Range Planning

Frederick A. Troxel, Jr., Chairman	William S. Hall
Ronnie E. Green	Jacob C. Baird
Jerry F. Ward	Robert W. Schlichter
Kevin B. Sample	Donald L. Trabue

Membership

Lionel J. Goede, Chairman	Regional Grand Commanders
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Monthly & Annual Reports

Marvin W. Frost, Chairman	Kevin B. Sample
Grand Line Officers	Regional Grand Commanders

Patriotic and Civic Activities

Marvin W. Frost, Chairman	Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.
James J. Hayes	

2004-2005 GRAND COMMANDERY SPECIAL COMMITTEES (Continued)

Religious Activities	
Kevin E. Weaver, Chairman	Emory J. Hampel
Ritual Drill Master	
Jerry F. Ward, Chairman	José R. Palacios
Emory J. Hampel	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
Regional York Rite Conference	
John E. Thrailkill, Chairman	Regional Grand Commanders
Youth Organizations	
Lionel J. Goede, Chairman	LeRoy D. Unruh
Danny D. Smothers	
Grand Encampment Officers	
Clifford L. Duncan	South Central Department Commander

**2004-2005 OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

ELECTED AND APPOINTED

Name	Office
Nicholas F. Steinmetz (8,16)	Grand Commander
James E. Snavely (56)	Deputy Grand Commander
Marvin W. Frost (31)	Grand Generalissimo
Frederick A. Troxel, Jr. (17)	Grand Captain General
James J. Hayes (56)	Grand Senior Warden
John E. Thrailkill (42)	Grand Junior Warden
Kevin E. Weaver (16)	Grand Prelate
Donald L. Trabue (29)	Grand Treasurer
Kevin B. Sample (12,67)	Grand Recorder
Ronnie E. Green (16)	Grand Standard Bearer
Russell S. Hanson (12)	Grand Sword Bearer
Daniel R. Quesenberry (17)	Grand Warder
Richard J. Holmes (8)	Aide de Camp
Harry C. Reed, Jr. (8,16)	Grand Sentinel
Jacob C. Baird (66)	Grand Historian
John E. Schofield (55)	Grand Organist
Daniel R. Quesenberry (17)	Grand Chorister
David C. Warburton (8)	Inner Guard
Carl A. Detmer (8)	Inner Guard
Thomas D. Martin (8)	Inner Guard

The next Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri will be held at the Lodge of the Ozarks, Branson, Missouri on May 21st, 2005.



2004-2005 OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

(Front row, from left to right): Emory J. Hampel; James J. Hayes; Donald L. Trabue; James E. Snively; Nicholas F. Steinmetz; Marvin W. Frost; Kevin B. Sample; and John E. Thraillkill. (Back row, left to right): Harry C. Reed, Jr.; Richard J. Holmes; Daniel R. Quesenberry; Ronnie E. Green; Russell S. Hanson; John E. Schofield; David C. Warburton; and Carl A. Detmer, Sr.



2004-2005 LADIES OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

(From left to right): Lady Arlene Ernst (Steinmetz); Lady Dottie Frost; Lady Joyce Sample; Lady Joyce Trabue; Lady Sue Hayes; Lady Estelene Hobbs (Thraillkill); Lady Margaret Keys (Green); Lady Debbie Hanson; Lady Jeannett Reed; and Lady Beth Ann Warburton.

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH
ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

*Missouri Association of
Past Commanders*

OF THE

State of Missouri



CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI
MAY 15, 2004

Missouri Association of Past Commanders

The 104th annual meeting of the Missouri Association of Past Commanders was held at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City, Missouri at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 15, 2004.

THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS PRESIDED

President – Harry C. Reed, Jr.

1st Vice President – Melvin J. Sanders

2nd Vice President – Kevin E. Weaver

Warder – Robert D. Whitney

Prelate – Roy N. Thomas

Secretary/Treasurer – Harry L. Bone

The Past Commanders Association was opened for business by Sir Knight Harry C. Reed, Jr., President. Applications for membership were received from the following Present and Past Commanders. A vote was taken and all were approved.

Lloyd Francis Waller (4)

George Claybourn Steidel (4)

David H. Lewis (16)

Daniel Roy Quesenberry (17)

Corey Bennett Huntsucker (35)

Richard E. Jump (56)

James L. Woodfin (56)

Ray Dean Wann (59)

George Edward Ornsbey (59)



There were eleven petitioners and one visitor. The visitor from another State was Sir Knight Douglas Heath, from Apullos Commandery No. 26 in Iowa. All listed petitioners were duly elected to membership in the Missouri Association of Past Commanders.

CONFERRAL OF THE DEGREE CAST

President – Harry C. Reed, Jr.
1st Vice President – Melvin J. Sanders
2nd Vice President – Kevin E. Weaver

Warder – James E. Snively
Conductor – Robert D. Whitney
Secretary/Treasurer – Harry L. Bone

BUSINESS MEETING

Following the conferral of the degrees, the Secretary/Treasurer read the minutes of the May 17, 2003 meeting. They were approved as printed in the 2003 proceedings. There were in attendance 32 members, 6 officers, 11 candidates, and 1 out-of-state visitor.

A financial report was then presented reflecting a bank balance of \$818.93 in Blue Ridge Bank at no interest; a \$5,004.03 C.D. in Blue Ridge Bank invested for 12 months at 1.74%, balance as of August 18, 2003, \$5,025.98; and a \$7,500.00 C.D. in Blue Ridge Bank invested for 6 months at 1.21%. Total cash assets, \$13,344.91.

The Secretary/Treasurer was given authority to pay all the expenses of the year 2004-2005.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following named officers were elected for the year 2004-2005:

President – Melvin J. Sanders
1st Vice President – Kevin E. Weaver

2nd Vice President – Robert D. Whitney
Secretary/Treasurer – Harry L. Bone

The Secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for all.



INSTALLING OFFICERS

Installing President

SK Stanton T. Brown

Installing Prelate

SK Roy N. Thomas

Installing Marshal

RESK Jerry F. Ward

The President-elect will appoint the Nominating Committee for 2005 by letter to the Secretary/Treasurer.

The Past President's Jewel was presented by SK Stanton T. Brown to the outgoing President.

No further business appearing, the meeting was closed in due form at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry L. Bone, KYCH

Secretary/Treasurer

Addendum: The 2005 nominating committee shall consist of Robert D. Whitney, Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr., and Jerry F. Ward.

Knights of the York Cross of Honour
Missouri Priory No. 17

May 13, 2004

Missouri Priory No.17, KYCH, met on May 13, 2004, at 5:30 p.m. at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City, Missouri. The Priory was opened in ritualistic form by the following officers:

Eminent Prior – Jack R Clark, Sr.

Deputy Prior – José R. Palacios

Warder – Roy N. Thomas

Prelate elect – William J. Bowser

Orator – William J. Neighbors

Herald – Teddie E. Harrison

Registrar/Treasurer – Robert L. Hudson

The Eminent Prior then installed Knight William J. Bowser as Prelate.

It was moved, seconded, and passed that the minutes of June 21, 2003 be approved as printed and distributed in the 2003 Proceedings of the Grand York Rite of Missouri. The ballots for proposed members had been previously distributed. Eminent Prior Clark appointed the following Knights as tellers: Lionel J. Goede, George R. Johnson, and William R. Probst. The ballots were collected and the tellers retired to count the ballots. It was moved, seconded, and passed that the Registrar destroy the ballots for 2003 and the proposals for those who had been rejected by the 2003 ballot.

The Audit and Finance Committee made their report. It included the April 30, 2004 ending balances for cash, checking account, savings account, and certificates of deposit. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept this report.

Knight Donald L. Trabue reported for the Committee to inspect the contents of safety deposit box. The report was accepted without objection.

The tellers returned and reported that all but three were elected. Those elected to become members were:

Allen Bradford Bess

Jack Duane Brown

Lyle Joseph Bryant

Harold F. Coots

Carl A. Detmer, Sr.

Phillip Wayne Engel

Donald B. Fairley

Henry A. Freund

William A. Fry

John William Hess

Richard Lee Mansfield

Jimmie Lee Moreland

Steven Francis Perkins

Vernon Kenneth Pogue

Gene A. Rethemeyer

Thomas Sargent

Robert L. Schmidt

Lee Wallace Smith

Billy D. Spiva

Michael E. Sutton

Albert Gayle Tindall

Loyd Vernon Wagner

Joseph R. Wiegert

These candidates will be sent an invitation for membership and an acceptance form.

It was reported that a personal request for dual membership had been received. Since this does not comply with Section 13 of the General Provisions of Convent General, the Registrar was directed to return the \$5 check and the Certificate of Good Standing that had accompanied it.

A member nominated a Knight from another Priory for dual membership. The Eminent Prior appointed the same tellers as he had previously, the ballot was distributed, and the tellers retired to count the ballot.

The Nominating Committee recommended to advance the current officers, retain the

Registrar/Treasurer, and to add Knight Harley L. Kropf as Herald. It was moved, seconded, and passed that nominations cease and that the proposed slate of officers be elected by acclamation. Those elected were asked if they would serve and all accepted. The new officers will be installed at the June 19, 2004, meeting in Jefferson City as follows:

Eminent Prior – José R. Palacios

Deputy Prior – Roy N. Thomas

Warder – William J. Bowser

Prelate – William J. Neighbors

Orator – Teddie E. Harrison

Herald – Harley L. Kropf

Registrar/Treasurer – Robert L. Hudson

The tellers returned and reported that the Knight proposed for dual membership had been rejected. A question was raised as to the number of ballots required to reject a proposal for dual membership. It was determined that Section 9 of our Bylaws applies.

The Prelate, Knight William J. Bowser, gave the Necrology report. There were six Knights on the list whose deaths had been reported since the May 2003 Necrology plus a Past Grand Master-General.

Correspondence consisted of: Easter appeal letter for contributions to Medical Research Foundation; letter from Convent General giving officers, representatives, and announcement that Convent General will meet in Romulus, Michigan, at the Double Tree Hotel on September 8 thru 11, 2004; letter from Ontario Priory No.49, Ontario, Canada, requesting a waiver of jurisdiction for each of two Missouri residents who had been proposed for membership in their Priory.

The Priory then took action of the request for the two waivers of jurisdiction. The same tellers were used and ballots were distributed. The tellers counted the ballots and by majority vote, the two waivers of jurisdiction were approved. The Registrar will forward these as soon as possible.

The Registrar moved that we send a \$100.00 check to the Medical Research Foundation as our annual contribution. The motion was seconded and passed.

The following checks were read and approved:

#1042 for \$22.67 to Convent General for 10 rituals plus postage

#1043 for \$192.52 to Robert L. Hudson for cost of mailings, ballots, program, stamps

#1044 for \$148.00 to Postmaster for 300 stamps

#1045 for \$102.10 to Robert L. Hudson for Jan. 2004 letter printing & mailing & envelopes

#1046 for \$380.00 to Chester Hazen for 25 membership jewels and cords

#1047 for \$6.00 to Convent General for three KYGCH Certificates

#1048 for \$100.00 to Convent General for annual Medical Research Foundation contribution

Knight David F. Snyder, Personal Representative of the Grand Master-General for District 12, was then introduced. His comments included calling our attention to the fact that Missouri still has not made a report to the History Committee of Convent General. The Eminent Prior assured Knight Snyder that the same person will be appointed by our new Prior and that we now have some information to begin with. Knight Snyder then stressed the need of our officers to attend Convent General in September. He concluded his remarks by saying he plans to attend our June 19, 2004 meeting in Jefferson City.

No further business appearing, the Priory was closed in ritualistic form at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Hudson, Registrar

June 19, 2004

Missouri Priory No.17, KYCH, met on June 19, 2004, at 1:00 p.m. at the Jefferson City Masonic Temple in Jefferson City, Missouri. Prior to the meeting, a lunch was served by Bethel No. 65, Job's Daughters. Eminent Prior Jack R. Clark thanked the girls and adults for the fine meal. He then introduced the officers. He then introduced the heads of the four York Rite Bodies who introduced their officers who were present. He then introduced Eminent David F. Snyder, Personal Representative of the Grand Master-General for District 12. He then introduced Most Eminent Ernest Berry, Grand Master-General of Convent General of the Knights of the York Cross of Honour. He then asked Knight Stanton T. Brown, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Missouri, and Knight Nicholas F. Steinmetz, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Missouri, to approach the East. Most Eminent Ernest Berry presented them with their Knights of the York Grand Cross of Honour certificates. The wives and non-members were requested to remain downstairs for entertainment while the men had their business meeting. At the conclusion of the meeting, they would be invited in for the Open installation of Officers.

The Priory was opened in ritualistic form by the following officers:

Eminent Prior – Jack R. Clark, Sr.

Deputy Prior – José R. Palacios

Warder pro tem – Steven C. Monrotus

Prelate elect – William J. Bowser

Orator – William J. Neighbors

Herald – Teddie E. Harrison

Registrar/Treasurer – Robert L. Hudson

Most Eminent Ernest Berry, Grand Master-General of Convent General of the Knights of the York Cross of Honour, was then officially received and escorted to the East.

The same officers listed for the opening then conferred tile ceremony of reception. The following Knights gave the Lectures:

Lodge – Glenn E. Means

Chapter – Calvin D. Schroff

Council – Paul K. Kawakami

Commandery – Harold J. Richardson

Following the ceremony, the Eminent Prior and the Grand Master-General led the Knights in greeting the new members.

The minutes of the May 13, 2004 were read. It was noted that the granting of two waivers of jurisdiction were missing from the minutes. The Registrar said he would be sure to add these. The minutes were approved as amended.

The following checks were read and approved:

#1049 for \$100.00 to Ernest Berry as an honorarium

#1050 for \$40.00 to David F. Snyder to help with travel expenses

#1051 for \$75.00 to Trustees of Jefferson Lodge No.43 for use of Masonic Temple

#1052 for \$169.34 to Robert L. Hudson for reimbursement of expenses

#1053 for \$600.00 to Bethel No.65, Job's Daughters for meals

#1054 for \$1200.00 to Convent General for Knighting Fees

Correspondence consisted of the following: Annual Return forms from Convent General and three proxy forms for Convent General meeting; letter from Convent General about 69th Annual Conclave in Romulus, Michigan, on September 8-11, 2004, the Registrar said he would make copies for any who were interested in attending; letter from Convent General thanking us for our \$100 contribution to the Medical Research Foundation; letter from Ontario Priory No. 49, KYCH, stating that they had elected the

two Missouri residents for whom we had issued waivers of jurisdiction. They have been extended and invitation to join.

Knight David F. Snyder, Personal Representative of the Grand Master-General for District 12, addressed the new members about service. He thanked them for their service in the past, but he encouraged them to also maintain their service in the future, which will now include the Knights of the York Cross of Honour.

Most Eminent Ernest Berry, Grand Master-General, then gave his remarks. He brought greetings from the approximately 13,000 members and 81 Priories. The 81st Priory was just instituted in Paris, France. He then gave some interesting information about the hospital in Lebanon, New Hampshire. This is where our funds for the Medical Research Foundation are used. He said they have a new video with a lot of good information. He then reminded everyone that there is nothing in our ritual about a short form closing. The Priory must always be closed in full ritualistic form. He then received a standing ovation and applause as he concluded his remarks and was seated.

No further business appearing, the Priory was closed in full ritualistic form.

The ladies and non-members were then invited in for the Open Installation of Officers. The Eminent Prior gave his remarks about the past year and thanked all who had helped him, especially his wife. The installing officers were then introduced: Installing Prior – David F. Snyder; Installing Marshal – Harold J. Richardson; Installing Prelate – Robert L. Hudson. The Installing Officers assumed their stations and the officers were duly installed into their respective offices as follows: Eminent Prior – José R. Palacios; Deputy Prior – (Roy N. Thomas was not present and will be installed at a later date); Warder – William J. Bowser; Prelate – William E. Neighbors; Orator – Teddie E. Harrison; Herald – Harley L. Kropf; and Registrar/Treasurer – Robert L. Hudson.

Eminent Jose' R. Placaios, newly installed Eminent Prior, was then given the gavel of authority and assumed his station. Eminent Jack Clark, Junior Past Prior, then presented the Eminent Prior with his jewel of office. Mrs. Clark was asked to approach the East and she presented Knight Clark with his Past Prior's jewel.

The Eminent Prior then made the following appointments and announcements:

Lecture of the Lodge – Glenn E. Means

Lecture of the Chapter – Roy A. Welshon

Lecture of the Council – LeRoy D. Unruh

Lecture of the Commandery – Nicholas F. Steinmetz

Audit and Finance Committee – David Vogler, Ron Green, and Lionel J. Goede,
Chairman

Nominating Committee – William W. Gray, Harry O. Maenner, Roy A. Welshon,
Chairman

Committee to Inspect Safety Deposit Box – Donald L. Trabue

Chairman of History Committee – James M. Williams

Time and Place – May 19, 2005 in Branson in conjunction with the Grand York Rite Session, June 18, 2005 at the Fenton Masonic Temple in Fenton.

The Eminent Prior made several introductions. The officers then introduced their family and friends. The Eminent Prior made his closing remarks and extended his wishes that all have a safe journey home.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert L. Hudson, Registrar

*9th Annual York Rite of Missouri
Charity Golf Tournament*

May 12, 2004

**Oak Hills Golf Center
Jefferson City, Missouri**

We thank all of our players, volunteers, and specially our Sponsors, specifically outlined in the Financial Report, for a wonderful tournament.



Past Grand Master Detherow teaching the new troops how it is done.



There no pro like an old pro...Stan, isn't the hole on the other side of the green?



These guys look like they know what they are doing. Why were they out there with the rest of us...



They probably made this putt, just a minor obstacle on their road to another championship.



Now I know why his score is so high. Need to work on that backswing...

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GRAND YORK RITE CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



Don't watch, I'm going to throw myself on the ground and break my leg. Maybe we can get 10 sympathy strokes off...

RESULTS OF THE TOURNAMENT



Longest Drive, Richard L. Mansfield
Longest Putt, Larry T. Odom
Closest to the Pin, Ray Russelt
Putting Contest, Matt Speight



3rd Place, C-Flight, Wyatt & Trabue (85)



2nd Place, C-Flight, Goede & Goede (84)

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GRAND YORK RITE CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



1st Place, C-Flight, Bell & Snoderley



3rd Place, B-Flight, Rogers & Rogers



2nd Place, B-Flight, Speight & Speight



1st Place, B-Flight, Johnson & Rossett



3rd Place, A-Flight, Brown & Wood (71)



2nd Place, A-Flight, Sample & Mansfield (71)



1st Place, A-Flight, Summerford & Wells, again, and again...(66)

FINANCIAL REPORT**INFLOWS**

Entry Fee			
4/1/04	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	Ronald E. Wood Entry Fee	60.00
		Stanton T. Brown Entry Fee	60.00
4/1/04	Karin Bell	Karin Bell Entry Fee	60.00
		Scott Bell Entry Fee	60.00
4/1/04	Lewis C. Odneal	Ck No. 6081 Entry Fee	60.00
4/1/04	Richard Mansfield	Ck No. 3099 Entry Fee	60.00
4/7/04	Odom, Larry	Ck No. 4099 Entry Fee	60.00
4/7/04	Goede, Lon	Ck No. 4429 Entry Fee	240.00
4/19/04	Rodgers, James	Ck No. 2631 Entry Fee	60.00
4/19/04	Mock, Robert	Ck No. 2773 Entry Fee	60.00
4/26/04	Wyatt, Larry	Ck No. 0841 Entry Fee	60.00
4/26/04	California Chapter No. 58	Ck No. 1040 Entry Fee	120.00
4/26/04	Duren, D. Keith	Ck No. 1066 Entry Fee	120.00
4/26/04	Trabue, Donald	Ck No. 2565 Entry Fee	60.00
4/26/04	Wyatt, Andrew	Ck No. 1567 Entry Fee	60.00
4/26/04	Rendon, Patrick	Entry Fee	60.00
4/26/04	Lowe, Forrest	Ck No. 14576 Entry Fee	60.00
4/26/04	Sample, Kevin	Ck No. 1553 Entry Fee	60.00
4/26/04	Detherow, Bob	Ck No. 9465 Entry Fee	60.00
5/6/04	Johnson, William	Ck No. 10833 Entry Fee	120.00
5/12/04	Green/Vogler	Cash Entry Fee	120.00
5/12/04	Highman, Carl	Ck No. 4679 Entry Fee	135.00
TOTAL Entry Fee			1,815.00

Other Inc			
5/12/04	50/50 Drawing	Cash Other Inc	78.00
5/12/04	Putting Contest	Cash Other Inc	45.00
5/12/04	Mulligans	Cash Other Inc	100.00
5/12/04	Canceled Check No. 501	Canceled Check Other Inc	100.00
TOTAL Other Inc			323.00

Sponsorship			
3/15/04	Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 4	Ck No. 3079 Sponsorship	50.00
3/24/04	Centralia Council No. 34	Ck No. 770 Sponsorship	50.00
4/1/04	Masonic Home of Missouri	Ck No. 022102 Sponsorship	50.00
4/1/04	Bellefontaine Chapter No. 25	Ck No. 446 Sponsorship	50.00
4/1/04	James M. Williams	Ck No. 7319 Sponsorship	50.00
4/7/04	Holmes, Richard	Ck No. 4550 Sponsorship	50.00
4/19/04	Independence York Rite Bodies	Ck No. 2893 Sponsorship	50.00
4/26/04	Rendon, Patrick	Sponsorship	50.00
5/6/04	Fechtel Beverage & Sales	Ck No. 62204 Sponsorship	50.00
5/12/04	Capitol Plaza Hotel	Ck No. 480122 Sponsorship	50.00
5/12/04	Green/Vogler	Cash Sponsorship	50.00
TOTAL Sponsorship			550.00

Bal Fwd-Charity Golf Tournament

11/6/03	Opening Balance	[Charity Golf Tournament]	100.00
	TOTAL TO Charity Golf Tournament		100.00

TOTAL INFLOWS **2,788.00**

OUTFLOWS**Bank Charge**

11/19/03	Boone County National Bank	Check Printing	Bank Charge	-13.95
	TOTAL Bank Charge			-13.95

Charity

5/12/04	506 Royal Arch Research Assistan...	Donation	Charity	-350.00
5/12/04	507 Charity Endow. Fund	Donation	Charity	-200.00
5/12/04	508 CMMR	Donation	Charity	-150.00
5/12/04	509 Knights Templar Eye Foundati...	Donation	Charity	-175.00
5/12/04	510 Holy Land Pilgrimage Endow...	Donation	Charity	-175.00
	TOTAL Charity			-1,050.00

Dining

5/12/04	504 Grand York Rite	Meals for 25 Golfers Dining		-300.00
	TOTAL Dining			-300.00

Misc

3/15/04	501 Jefferson City Parks & Recrea...	Tournament Deposit	Misc	-100.00
5/12/04	502 D'Sport	Trophies	Misc	-207.00
5/12/04	503 Oak Hills Golf Center	Player Fees	Misc	-796.00
5/12/04	505 Bowser, William	Signs and Balls	Misc	-143.94
	TOTAL Misc			-1,246.94

TOTAL OUTFLOWS **-2,610.89**

OVERALL TOTAL **177.11**

Respectfully submitted,
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2004 Grand York Rite Banquet

**SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2004
CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI**

RECEPTION OF GRAND OFFICERS



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Most Excellent Companion José R. Palacios, Regional Deputy General Grand High Priest, South Central Region and Excellent General Grand Principal Sojourner of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International, and Lady Selle



Most Illustrious Companion Gary A. Phillips, Grand Master,
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Right Puissant Companion Ronald E. Fullerlove, General Grand Recorder,
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Sir Knight Thomas C. Yunick, Right Eminent Grand Commander, and Lady Christopher



Sir Knight William Kenneth B. Fischer, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of
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Most Worshipful Brother Stanley M. Thompson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge,
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Ralph E. Nolan is presented with the
General Grand Chapter Distinguished Service Award



Most Excellent Companion Gentry is officially designated a Past Grand High Priest



Christopher Columbus McLemore, III is presented with the General Grand Council Cryptic Mason of the Year Award



Most Illustrious Companion Phillips is officially designated a Past Grand Master



Lewis C. Odneal is presented with a special certificate designating him a 4-Star Grand Chaplain, having served as Grand Chaplain of all four Grand York Rite Bodies



Harry C. Reed, Jr. receives the Grand Encampment Knights Templar Cross of Honor



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