# Preliminary Proceedings

One Hundred Forty-Sixth Annual Assembly

OF THE

Grand Council

Cryptic Masons

of the

State of Missouri



HELD AT CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2011, A.:.Dep.:.3011

Grand Master James G. Haddox was born in St. Louis, MO on July 12, 1944 into a Masonic Family. His father, George M. was a Master Mason and his mother, Ellen C. belonged to the Eastern Star. All his brothers belonged to the DeMolay and his sister was a Job's Daughter, all in Ferguson, MO. Numerous uncles were also members of the Craft.

In his youth, his family moved to New Haven, MO, and because there was no local DeMolay Chapter, he became interested in the Boy Scouts. He obtained the rank of Eagle Scout with palms along with being elected to the Order of the Arrow before moving to Owensville, MO, his parents' childhood home, where he finished high school. He was not able to complete a college degree because of the death of his father and the need care for his mother, as the family farm was sold and a new home built in Owensville.

He engaged in sales for a career, starting as a route salesman for a beverage company and afterwards representing the manufacturer as both a company salesman and representative of other various companies. During the next 30 years, he was responsible for territory including the United States west of the Mississippi, Western Canada, Mexico and Latin America. In 2004, he became the Executive Secretary of the Columbia Valley Scottish Rite, a position which he still holds today.

Transferred to Dallas, Texas in the early 1970's, Jim began his Masonic career, being raised in Tannehill Lodge #52 in January 1975 and immediately joined the Scottish Rite, Shrine, and York Rite. Moving to Houston in 1977, he became active in the Scottish Rite and Shrine, becoming the Captain of Arabia Shrine Patrol, taking them to Los Angeles and winning 1<sup>st</sup> place in Shrine drill competition.

In 1990 he jumped at the chance to move back to Missouri and moved back to the same block he left 20 years earlier. He transferred his Masonic membership to Owensville Lodge #624 and advanced through the chairs, serving as Worshipful Master in 1993-1994. Jim was appointed District Deputy Grand Master for the old 32<sup>nd</sup> (now 24<sup>th</sup>) District for two terms in 1997-1999, and was elected President of the Ransom A. Breuer Masonic Association in 1999.

He transferred to the Columbia Valley Scottish Rite and in 1998 served as Venerable Master of the Lodge of Perfection, at the same time, held dual membership with the St. Louis Valley and served as Venerable Master there in 2003-2004, being selected a Knight Commander of the Court of Honour in 1999 and coroneted an Inspector General Honorary in 2003.

In the York Rite, he served as Master of Hiram #1 Royal and Select Masters in 2005, High Priest of Rolla Chapter #32 RAM in 2009 and Commander of Rolla Commandery #56 KT in 2009. In 2008, he affiliated with Rolla Council #39 as a dual member and in 2005, was appointed to the Grand Council of Missouri line by MIC Robert H Bray.

Jim is a member of the following affiliated bodies:; Gates of Derry Council #82, Excellent Chief 2006 and Tipperary Council #62, Knight Masons, Excellent Chief 2010; the Royal Order of Scotland; Heart of Missouri York Rite College #188, Governor 2006, Order of the Purple Cross, 2008; Elizabeth St. Leger Council # 386, AMD, Sovereign Master 2006, Knight of the Red Branch of Eri 2006; Mark Twain Forest # 202, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, currently Treasurer; St. Chrysostom Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine; Order of the High Priesthood, Order of the Silver Trowel, where he serves on the conferral team; Missouri Association of Past Commanders.

He holds endowed memberships in the following: Grand Lodge of Missouri, Owensville Lodge #624; Columbia Valley Scottish Rite; Knights Templar of the State of Missouri; Grand Chapter of RAM, Rolla #32; Tipperary Council #62 KM; General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, International and the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International.

He is also a member of: Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels, Knights of Pythias, Eagle Scout Association, Loyal Order of Moose, Owensville Country Club and Owensville Lions Club.

In 1993 he married Glenda Schalk Record on the island of Maui in Hawaii and through her children, Ryan and Erin, he is able to enjoy the joys of grand parenting to seven, but nine if you count exchange student's children: Vanessa from Barcelona, Spain and Carolina from Cali, Colombia, whom Jim and Glenda have visited since their return to their homes.

While in Dallas, he also started a lifelong love of sailing and the Dallas Cowboys. He still sails whenever possible along with wasting his time trying to improve at golf.

During this year, Jim and Glenda are planning to return to Hawaii for the Hawaii Grand York Rite session, in addition to his fraternal visits and duties of his office.

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## **GRAND YORK RITE OF MISSOURI - 2011**

Capitol Plaza Hotel and Convention Center Jefferson City, MO

# **Tuesday, May 17, 2011**

3:00 PM	Early	Registration	- All 3	Bodies
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7:00 PM

Grand Officers Dinner

	Wednesday, May 18, 2011
7:00 AM	Registration - All 3 Bodies - to 10:00 AM
7:00 AM	Breakfast - On Your Own
9:30 AM	Welcome by GHP, GM, & GC - Open to Ladies and Guests
9:50 AM	Presentaion & Posting of Colors, Heroes of '76
	Pledge of Allegiance
	National Anthem
	Presentation of Grand Council Officers
	Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests
10:00 AM	Formal Opening of the Grand Council
	Welcoming Comments by Grand Master
	Reception of Missouri Past Grand Masters
	Reception of Missouri Regional Deputy Grand Masters
	Reception of Grand Lecturer and Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers
	Reception of Grand Representatives
	Reception of Out of State Grand Council Officers
	Reception of General Grand Council Officers
	Reception of General Grand Council Representative & Brief Presentation
	Reception of Grand Lodge Officers
	Reception and Address of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri
10:30 AM	Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee
	Election of Officers
	Address of Grand Master
	Report of Committee on Grand Masters Address
10:50 AM	Report of Jurisprudence Committee
	Report of Finance Committee
	Address of General Grand Council Officer
11:50 AM	Routine Business
	Report of Election of Officers
	Acceptance of Officers
	Report of Grand Master Elect
	Report of Committee on Time and Place
	Grand Council Called from Labor until 3:00 PM for Awards Presentation and
Installation	
	Lunch on Your Own
1:00 PM	Order of the Siver Trowel
3:00 PM	Grand Council Resumes Labor - Open to All
	Grand Council Awards Presentation
	Installation of Grand Council Officers
5:00 PM	Close Grand Council
	Pictures
7:00 PM	Dinner on your own

# **Thursday, May 19, 2011**

	Thursday, Way 19, 2011
7:00 AM	Registration - Chapter and Commandery only - to 10:00 AM
7:00 AM	Breakfast Sponsored by Yeomen of York - Open to All
8:00 AM	Palmyra Historical Chapter No. 2 - Royal Arch Masons
9:00 AM	Presentation of Missouri Grand Chapter Officers - Open to Ladies and Guests
	Welcoming Comments by the Grand High Priest
	Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests
	Formal Opening of the Grand Chapter
	Reception of Missouri Past Grand High Priests
	Reception of Missouri District Deputy Grand High Priests
	Reception of Grand Lecturer and District Deputy Grand Lecturers
	Reception of Grand Representatives
	Reception of Out of State Grand Chapter Officers
	Reception of General Grand Chapter Officers
	Reception of General Grand Chapter Representative & Brief Presentation
	Reception and Address of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri
	Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee
	Election of Officers
	Address of Grand High Priest
	Report of Jurisprudence Committee
	Resume Labor and Remaining Business
	Report of Finance Committee
	Report of Grand Treasurer
	Report of Grand Secretary
11:00 AM	Routine Business
	Report of Election of Officers
	Acceptance of Officers
	Report of Grand High Priest Elect
	Report of Committee on Time and Place
11:45 AM	Address of General Grand Chapter Officer
12:00 PM	Grand Chapter Called from Labor until 3:00 PM for Awards Presentation and
Installation	n of Officers
	Lunch on Your Own
1:30 PM	Order of High Priesthood
3:00 PM	Grand Chapter Resumes Labor - Open to All
	Grand Chapter Awards Presentation
	Installation of Grand Chapter Officers
5:00 PM	Close Grand Chapter
	Pictures
5:30 PM	Tall Cedars of Lebanon - Open to All Master Masons
7:00 PM	Dinner on your own
7:00 PM	Knights of York Cross of Honour business meeting
8:00 PM	Grand Preceptory of Yeomen of York

May 18, 2011

#### Friday, May 20, 2011 7:00 AM Registration - Commandery only - to 10:00 AM 7:00 AM Red Cross of Constantine Breakfast - Members Only 8:00 AM Welcoming Comments by Grand Commander Formal Opening of Grand Commandery - Open to Ladies and Guests Roll Call and Introduction of Grand Commandery Officers Reception of Missouri Past Grand Commanders Reception of Missouri Regional Grand Commanders Reception of Grand Representatives Reception of Out of State Grand Commandery Officers Reception of Grand Encampment Officers Reception of Grand Encampment Representative & Brief Presentation Reception and Address of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri Address of Grand Commander Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests 9:00 AM Reconvene Grand Commandery Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee **Election of Officers** Report of Finance Committee Report of Grand Treasurer Report of Grand Recorder 10:30 AM Additional Committee Reports - as needed **Routine Business** Report of Election of Officers Acceptance of Officers Report of Grand Commander Elect Report of Committee on Time and Place 11:15 AM Address of Grand Encampment Officer 11:30 AM Grand Commandery Called from Labor until 3:00 PM for Awards Presentation and Installation of Officers 11:45 AM Knights Templar Education Foundation Committee Meeting 12:00 PM Lunch Sponsored by Yeomen of York - Open to All 1:00 PM Past Commanders Association 3:00 PM Grand Commandery Reconvened - Open to All **Grand Commandery Awards Presentation Installation of Grand Commandery Officers** 5:00 PM Grand Commandery Called from Labor **Pictures** 6:00 PM Grand York Rite Distinguished Guests Reception, Banquet and Entertainment Welcome by Missouri Grand High Priest, Grand Master and Grand Commander Reception of Presiding Distinguished Guests **Saturday, May 21, 2011** 7:00 AM Breakfast - On Your Own 7:00 AM Formation of Drill Committee and Drill Judges Grand Commandery Asylum Drill Competition - Open to All 8:00 AM Grand York Rite Banquet and Awards Presentation - Open to All 6:30 PM Sunday, May 22, 2011 Religious Service - Open to All 8:00 AM

9:00 AM

Grand Officers Breakfast

# **Ladies Program**

	<b>Wednesday, May 18, 2011</b>
8:30 AM	Ladies Registration - Hospitality Room
9:30 AM	Welcome by GHP, GM, & GC
9:50 AM	Presentaion & Posting of Colors, Heroes of '76
	Pledge of Allegiance
	National Anthem
	Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests
10:00 AM	Assorted Games
3:00 PM	Grand Council Resumes Labor - Open to All
	Grand Council Awards Presentation
	Installation of Grand Council Officers
5:00 PM	Close Grand Council
	Pictures
	Dinner on your own
7:00 PM	Grand Officers Dinner
	<b>Thursday, May 19, 2011</b>
8:00 AM	Ladies Registration - Hospitality Room
3:00 PM	Grand Chapter Resumes Labor - Open to All
	2007-2008 Grand Chapter Awards Presentation
	Installation of 2008-2009 Grand Chapter Officers
	Close Grand Chapter
	Pictures
7:00 PM	Dinner on your own
	<u>Friday, May 20, 2011</u>
8:00 AM	Ladies Registration - Hospitality Room
8:00 AM	Welcoming Comments by Grand Commander
	Formal Opening of Grand Commandery - Open to Ladies and Guests
12:00 PM	Ladies Luncheon
3:00 PM	Grand Commandery Reconvened - Open to All
	Grand Commandery Awards Presentation
	Installation of Grand Commandery Officers
6:00 PM	Grand York Rite Distinguished Guests Reception, Banquet and Entertainment
	Welcome by Missouri Grand High Priest, Grand Master and Grand Commander
	Reception of Presiding Distinguished Guests
	<b>Saturday, May 21, 2011</b>
8:00 AM	Grand Commandery Asylum Drill Competition - Open to All
8:00 AM	Ladies Hospitality Room Open Until Noon
6:30 PM	Grand York Rite Banquet and Awards Presentation - Open to All
	<b>Sunday, May 22, 2011</b>
8:00 AM	Religious Service - Open to All
9:00 AM	Grand Officers Breakfast

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

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

Companions: Your committee on the Grand Master's address commend and applaud Grand Master James G. "Jim" Haddox as he presides at the 146<sup>th</sup> Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri. We applaud the time that he spent visiting the Councils around this great state and for his heartfelt, forthright and sincere words in his Address.

The portion of his Address dealing with dispensations and by-laws changes are referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

His statements on the State of the Council and Recommendations are candid and should make each of us examine our Councils of Royal and Select Masters and encourage the younger members to get involved and learn the ritual. The younger members are joining with a sincerely enthusiastic feeling for the York Rite as a whole so we need to encourage their participation. He made special mention of financial accountability to each of the Councils to prepare a budget to work during the year.

Grand Master Haddox represented the Craft throughout the state on his visits where he promoted improving the ritual and continuing the generous support of our main charity, i.e. the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation (CMMRF).

Lastly, sincere thanks goes to the Grand Master for his service to the Cryptic Rite as he advanced to the Grand East, his love and service to the fraternity throughout his life, and for making difficult decisions regarding what is in the best interests of the Grand Council of Missouri.

I move the acceptance of the Grand Master's Address and this report, and that they be printed in the proceedings of the 146<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Assembly.

Fraternally submitted, Dan Smothers, Chairman

#### **Report of Committee on Regional York Rite Conferences**

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

The regional conference should still be an aid for educational and leadership training. Education and leadership training should be the primary duty of the conferences.

Again we should leave the duty of promoting our charities, the honor program, the endowed membership, etc. to the region deputies. The conferences should be a training ground for the present and future officers.

I did not receive any reports of the conferences from any Regional Deputy, I did hear that some of the conferences were not well attended and that they lacked the participation of the Grand line officers.

Fraternally submitted,

James L. Woodfin, Jr. Chairman Grand Council Conferences

#### Report of the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation

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

Companions: For the period April 1, 2010 through April 15, 2011 the amount that Missouri contributed to the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation was \$7,716.35. Currently, Missouri ranks eighteenth with respect to other jurisdictions and twelfth since the inception of the program. Our grand total is \$108,006.36.

Extenders have been awarded to:

St. Joseph Council # 9 (two bars) Independence Council # 49

Triangular plaques were awarded to:

Carthage Council # 41

The top five councils for 2010 were:

St. Joseph Council # 9 \$2,047.45 Independence Council # 49 576.55 Centralia Council # 34 500.00 Rolla Council # 39 500.00 Kirksville Council # 44 343.40

If a council contributes at least \$1.00 per member it is entitled to receive the 100% certificate. Unfortunately, it is up to the council to make this known when remitting funds.

Respectfully submitted,

William Gordon Buckner, Chairman

# **Living Past Grand Masters**

G. Fred Kling	1966-1967
Everette L. Gloyd	
Robert N. Hunter	
William G. Buckner	
Blair C. Mayford	
Jack R. Clark, Sr.	
John V. Crampton	
Lawrence R. Albright, II	
Paul K. Kawakami	
C. Richard Carter	
Frederick H. Neal	
E. Allen Kohler	
Bob L. Detherow	
Teddie E. Harrison	
William J. Bowser	
LeRoy D. Unruh	
Richard J. Holmes	
Gary A. Phillips	
Stanton T. Brown	
Kevin B. Sample	
Robert H. Bray	
Albert H. "Sonny" Miller	
	2000 2007
Robert L. Wright Danny D. Smothers	2007-2008

# **Grand Council Representatives**

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Jurisdiction	To Missouri	Jurisdiction	To Missouri
	George M. Merkle		Lewis C. Odneal
Alaska	Frederick H. Neal	Mississippi	Daniel R. Quesenberry
	Donald L. Huggins		Calvin D. Schroff
Arkansas	Columbus Craft		James G. Wade
Brazil	Russell S. Hanson	Nevada	Barry V. Cundiff
California V	William Gordon Buckner	New Hampshire	William C. Woolsey
Colorado	James M. Williams	New Jersey	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
Connecticut	Richard J. Holmes	New Mexico	Norman G. Schlagenhauf
Delaware	Jack D. Brown	New York	Paul K. Kawakami
	iaJohn V. Crampton	North Carolina	C. C. McLemore, III
Eastern Canada	Jack R. Clark, Sr.	North Dakota	Lester J. Brown
England_	LeRoy D. Unruh	Ohio	Stanton T. Brown
Florida	George R. Johnson	Oklahoma	James L. Woodfin, Jr.
	Marion W. Dey	Ontario Canada	
Georgia	Paul R. Cannon	Oregon	Steven C. Monrutus
Germany	Teddie E. Harrison		Jose' R. Palacios
Greece_	Emory J. Hampel	Philippines	Richard G. Harrison
Hawaii	James G. Haddox	Portugal	William J. Bowser
Idaho	Freddie D. Adams	Rhode Island	
	Nicholas F. Steinmetz	Romania	William R. Brantley
	Harley L. Kropf		K. Trent Moreland
Iowa	Aaron M. Shoemaker	South Carolina	Roy N. Thomas
Israel	David C. Witte		Robert H. Bray
	Francis A. Latragna		Kevin B. Sample
	Danny D. Smothers		Alfred L. Mason
	Bob L. Detherow		P. Vincent Kinkead
Louisiana	Robert W. Schlichter	Vermont	Glenn E. Means
	Everette L. Gloyd	Washington	Corey B. Huntsucker
Maryland	William E. Brenneman	Western Canada	Matthew L. Quesenberry
Massachusetts	Albert H. Miller		Ted W. Harrison
Michigan	John E. Schofield	Wyoming	Walter W. Doyle

#### **Golf Tournament**

This year's Golf Tournament was not held due to the cost to those participating. If we desired to play, we needed to come down on Monday, and stay through Saturday. While the tournament represents a good cause, we feel that it can be held later in the summer, probably at the same locale and improve participation and have more positive results.

We will be advising you of the date and time when the Golf Tournament will be held.

Ron Wood and Jim Snavely

### **Holy Land Pilgrimage**

This is the first year in a long time that we didn't have a candidate for the trip to the Holy Land. It is our hope to have someone for next year's trip

To recommend a minister for this trip all that is needed is for you to ask for a form. A minister must have at least 10 years of ministry left before his retires, and he must be a pastor actively serving a church.

Ron Wood, Jr.

#### GRAND YORK RITE AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT 2011

The joint committee on Grand York Rite Audit met with the Grand Secretary/Recorder and Grand Treasurer on February 26, 2011. Time constraints severely limited this review as it did notification to all of the members. On a positive note, no discrepancies were noted and further review will rely upon the annual reports of the Grand Secretary/Recorder and Grand Treasurer.

We were pleased to have with us Right Excellent Companion Steven C. Monrotus who provided a detailed report of the Grand Chapter fund raising effort.

Nevertheless, we are still bothered by the lack of a resolution for the storage issue. Likewise, the committee is still experiencing some confusion as to figures that appear in parenthesis under some line items. Generally speaking, figures in parenthesis represent negatives as would appear in the bottom line indicating that the particular line item had exceeded that which had been appropriated for the line item in the approved budget. In this case however, the figures in parenthesis have the totally different connotation that a negative charge has been assessed against that particular line item and not that the particular line item has exceeded appropriated funds.

The Joint Committee highly suggests an in depth review of its 2010 report by all incoming line officers especially the suggestions and recommendations.

Grand Chapter	Grand Council	<b>Grand Commandery</b>
Robert W. Schlichter	Robert W. Schlichter	Harold J. Richardson
Russell S. Hanson	Russell S. Hanson	Daniel R. Quesenberry
C.C. McLemore	Terry R. Struse	Larry T. Odom
Steven C. Monrotus	James G. Haddox	James S. Snavely

Claude M. Eckert	George M. Merkle	Harold L. Coots
Donald L. Trabue	Donald L. Trabue	Donald L. Trabue
Frederick A. Troxel	Frederick A. Troxel	Frederick A. Troxel
John E. Schofield	William C. Woolsey	Robert W. Schlichter
Roy L. Gilkey	David C. Witte	James G. Haddox
Roy N. Thomas	William G. Snyder	
Loren D. Lloyd	Todd A. Schulze	
John W. Siscel	Larry W. Beck	

Ronald L. Barrett

#### GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF MISSOURI

Grand Treasurer's **Preliminary** Report June 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011

COMPANIONS: All funds are invested in banking institutions in Jefferson City, Ararat Temple Investment Account at Commerce Bank and American Balanced Fund with Providence Bank. All bank accounts are interest bearing, with no service charges, and with amounts being maintained at less than \$250,000 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 (Ararat Temple Investment Account at Commerce Bank and American Balanced Fund with Providence 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 Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri for the fiscal year, June 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011.

#### **GENERAL FUND**

	GET (EIGHE I GT (E			
Total Assets Jun	e 1, 2010			
\$ 35,81	16.04			
Receipts:	Grand Recorder, etc.		\$ 2	21,496.28
	Interest Earned			183.54
	Increase in Market Value, etc. Commerce Bank Spe	ecial Act.		243.62
Total Receipts			\$ 2	21,923.44
Disbursements:	Jefferson Act. #59328 - #1933 thru 1962	\$ 5,740.45		
	Jefferson Act. #74544 - #2578 thru 2694	15,735.93		
	Jefferson Act. #464155 Debits	447.79		
Total Disbursements \$ 21,924.17				
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements				
(\$	0.73)			
Balance, Genera	l fund, March 31, 2011			
\$ 35,81	15.31			
Statement of As	ssets – General Fund			
Interest Checkin	g Act. #59328, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.10%		\$	410.98
Interest Checking Act. #74544, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.10%			152.59	
Interest Checking Act. #74325, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.10%			133.86	
Prime Advantage Act. #464155, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.50% 19,898.4		9,898.47		
Business Investment Act. #30000211, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.25% 10,095.44		0,095.44		
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C.D. #131541, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.20%, Matures 6/29/12

5,123.97

Total Assets, General Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 35,815.31

GENERAL FUND (SPECIAL ACCOUNT)

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 35,255.83

Receipts: Interest Earned \$ 260.76

Total Receipts \$ 1,583.19

Disbursements \$ 0.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

\$ 1,583.19

Balance, General Fund (Special Account), March 31, 2011

\$ 36,839.02

**Statement of Assets – General Fund (Special Account)** 

Prime Advantage Act. #464155, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.50% \$ 1,435.07 C.D. #256806, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 1.45%, Matures 6/2/11 23,577.38 American Balanced Fund (thru Providence Bank-Jefferson City) 11,826.57

Total Assets, General Fund (Special Account), March 31, 2011

\$ 36,839.02

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#### **ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP FUND**

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

Total Receipts:

\$ 85,648.64

Receipts: Memberships (11) \$ 4,564.00 Interest Earned 753.08 Increase in Market Value, etc. Commerce Bank Special Act. 462.07

\$ 5,779.15

Disbursements: \$ 0.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

\$ 5,779.15

Balance, Endowed Membership Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 91,427.79

Statement of Assets – Endowed Membership Fund

Prime Advantage Act. #464155, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.50% \$ 45,469.15 CD #129578, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.35%, Matures 6/24/11 45,958.64

Total Assets, Endowed Membership Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 91,427.79

#### CHARITY ENDOWMENT FUND IN MEMORY OF BRUCE HARMON HUNT

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 120,053.81

Receipts: Various Contributions \$ 321.10 Interest earned \$ 1,178.33

Total Receipts: \$ 1,499.43

Disbursements: Charities \$ 1,000.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

\$ 499.43

Balance, Foundation Account, March 31, 2011

\$ 120,553.24

Statement of Assets - Charity Endowment Fund

Prime Advantage Act. #464155, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.50% \$ 4,245.26

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Business Investment Act. #30000211, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.25%	7,328.34
CD #256807, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 1.45%, Matures 4/1/11	31,965.01
CD #901295932,Providence Bank-Jefferson City,1.50%,Matures 5/25/11	41,582.62
CD #90173983, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.70%, Matures 6/2/11	35,432.01
Total Assets, Charity Endowment Fund, March 31, 2011	

\$ 120,553.24

#### TRIENNIAL FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 693.39

Rceipts: Interest Earned\$ 3.05Total Receipts\$ 3.05

Disbursements: \$ 0.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

\$ 3.05

Balance, Triennial Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 696.44

#### **Statement of Assets – Triennial Fund**

Prime Advantage Act. #464155, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.50%

\$ 696.44

Total Assets, Triennial Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 696.44

#### SUPPLY FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 7,383.42

 Receipts:
 Grand Recorder, etc.
 \$ 1,991.20

 Interest Earned
 35.81

 Total Receipts
 \$ 2,027.01

Disbursements: \$ 309.65

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

\$ 1,717.36

Balance, Capital Assets Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 9,100.78

#### Statement of Assets – Supply Fund

Prime Advantage Act. #464155, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.50%

\$ \_\_\_9,100.78

Total Assets, Supply Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 9,100.78

#### GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF MISSOURI

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# Total Assets, All Funds, March 31, 2011

\$294,432.58

Fraternally submitted,

Donald L. Trabue, HPGM

Grand Treasurer

#### York Rite Masonic Youth Luncheon

Saturday, March 26, 2011 Masonic York Rite Temple

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#### Springfield, MO

A report on the York Rite Masonic Youth Event held in Springfield on March 26, 2011. The attendance was 77. After prayer, we enjoyed a chicken dinner luncheon prepared by the members of the Social Order of the Beauceant.

Members and officers of Springfield Chapter No. 15, RAM, Zabud Council No. 25, R&SM and St. John's Commandery No. 20, KT were present and represented by Companion and Sir Knight Paul Kingsley, he is the presiding officer of all three York Rite Bodies represented. Companion and Sir Knight Paul Kingsley presented a monetary gift to each of the local youth groups from the Southside York Rite Bodies.

The program began at 1:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Master of Ceremonies was MIC Bob L. Detherow, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Missouri and currently a Regional Grand Commander of Region 7 of the Grand Commandery of Missouri and Deputy Supreme Royal Patron of the Supreme Council, Inc., Order of the Amaranth. Dad Detherow, past Chapter Dad of Farnsworth Chapter gave comments about the reason for recognizing and supporting the Youth Groups and introduced the speakers.

#### Members of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls:

Vickie Bates, Grand Deputy and Membership Chairman for Rainbow and Amanda Bates, Grand Deputy arranged for the members of Republic Assembly No. 92, Republic, Mo., Faith Assembly No. 107, Sarcoxie, Mo. and Friendship Assembly No. 15, Ozark, Mo., to speak about several activities and lessons taught in Rainbow. Approximately 12 members of the Rainbow, including Mother Advisors and Worthy Advisors of the Assemblies gave comments. The Pledge group was represented by two young ladies, one was age 5. It was well received. Brianna Sisco, a member of Republic Assembly No. 84 and Grand Charity of the Grand Assembly of Rainbow for Girls spoke on Rainbow and moderated the Rainbow program with several of the Rainbow Girls speaking on various aspects of Rainbow. It was a well presented program.

#### Members of the International Order of Job's Daughters:

Kim Underwood, Past Honored Queen, Past Grand Bethel Honored Queen and Vice Grand Guardian of Missouri, Job's Daughters International presented the program for the Job's Daughters. She was assisted by Brianna Hall, Past Honored Queen, Past Jr. Miss Missouri and Rebecca Hairer, Past Honored Queen. Kim gave information from a power point presentation which encompassed all aspects of Job's Daughters and spoke on her personal involvement with Job's. She spoke about Bethel No. 8 reopening in Springfield. Bethel No. 8 was active in the 1930's and will be reopening soon. She is a graduate of Drury College here in Springfield and will soon be the Grand Guardian of Missouri, Job's Daughters International. Brianna Hall, Past Honored Queen and Rebecca Hairer, Past Honored Queen both spoke and wore the Grecian Robe and Cape of the Job's Daughters. Kim is an accomplished leader and represented Job's Daughters and their program very well.

#### Members of the International Order of DeMolay:

Dad Bret Akers, Executive Director of Missouri DeMolay spoke about DeMolay and what it represents for young men. Dad Akers was accompanied by Dad Ed Culver from Wm F Kuhn DeMolay, Tom Shannon, PMC, and Ryan Weber, of Kirkwood DeMolay. Dad John Jenanian, Chapter Dad of the new DeMolay Chapter, Knights of

Seven in Sparta, Mo. spoke about the new chapter and their programs. He was accompanied by Tyler Stodden, Master Councilor of the Knights of Seven and other DeMolay from his Chapter. Dad Bret Akers gave excellent comments about his experiences with DeMolay and then introduced Miss Evalyne McInnish, Missouri DeMolay State Sweetheart.

The Missouri DeMolay State Sweetheart, Miss Evalyne McInnish, Friendship Assembly No. 15, Grand Fidelity of the Grand Assembly of Rainbow for Girls, spoke about DeMolay and her experience with DeMolay and Job's Daughters working together. It is apparent why she was chosen the DeMolay State Sweetheart as she presented herself with dignity and represented Missouri DeMolay superbly.

At the completion of the presentations made by the representatives of the orders, the floor was opened for questions and answers. Several questions were asked and answered by the leaders from each group and a signup sheet was made available for all who would be interested in working with the youth groups.

Several adults signed up to work with Bethel No. 8, Job's Daughters, which will be reopening in Springfield this year, and five petitions were turned in by girls for membership in Bethel No. 8 and several petitions were taken to be completed later. Several adults signed up to work as advisors with Farnsworth DeMolay Chapter to help it reopen in Springfield. A commitment was made by several adults to work with all three youth groups, including the new Bethel No. 8, Knights of Seven DeMolay Chapter and Farnsworth DeMolay Chapter to help them be successful.

It was a rewarding and successful meeting and the comments and results were positive. The meeting was closed in Prayer.

Since the meeting, I have had several inquiries from different areas of southwest Missouri concerning all three youth groups and I will send the information to the proper people for action.

Fraternally,

Dad Bob L. Detherow

Grand Masters Address

at the 146 Annual Assembly

Grand Council

Eryptic Masons

of the

State of Missouri



Held At The Capitol Plaza Hotel Jefferson City, Missouri May 18, 2011

To the officers and companions of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri:

Good Morning! I want to welcome all to the 146th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri. It is my pleasure to extend a hearty welcome to the representatives of the General Grand Council and our out of state visitors. You honor us by your presence, and we deeply appreciate it. We hope that your visit will be a pleasurable one and if there is anything we can do to accommodate you and your Lady, feel free to let us know. When you return to your home states, please take with you our best wishes, and our thanks.

To the Companions of the constituent Councils, thank you for taking time out of your busy schedules to attend your Grand Council session. You are the Grand Council.

Companions, before I was elected your Grand Master, I was told many times how fast the actual year that I served would fly by. That is indeed true, it seems like just yesterday I stood before you and laid out what I hoped to accomplish in this past year. I hope that somehow in some way that my theme of "Pride and Spats" has made a impression upon you and that you have taken that Pride back to your own Council and continued the long tradition of making the Council the most prestigious Body of the York Rite of Freemasonry.

As I humbly reflect upon this past year, I am the first to realize that the honor of being your Grand Master is not about the honor bestowed upon Jim Haddox. Any success that I may have had is because of you, for without you, my Companions, there would be no Grand Council or Grand Master. You are still the engine that keeps the Grand Council running.

The Officers and Committees of the Grand Council have been very supportive of your Grand Master this past year and to you I offer the highest gratitude of appreciation. I know that I cannot adequately express my appreciation and know that a "Thank you" seems to be so little.

To the Regional Deputy Grand Masters and Lecturers I would like to express my most heartfelt appreciation for your service. You are very much appreciated and I want you to know that your feedback is an invaluable service to your Grand Officers and your Grand Master.

I also want to thank our Grand Recorder Fred Troxel and his wife Roma for the thankless work that they do all year. Every time Fred was called upon he responded promptly and accurately and we all realize how much work falls on Roma.

#### STATE OF THE COUNCIL

In addressing the "State of the Council", I am not going to smooth over any item. I will not tell you what you want to hear but will try to be frankly honest. Of course I realize that I am preaching to the choir here and applaud you for being loyal members.

Our beloved York Rite needs help. We need motivated members; part of our problems on the local level is that in the 3 York Rite Bodies we need about 30 officers to fill the required offices. That requires us to do one of two things, either we double up on a member and require him to do double (and triple duty) or we settle for a warm body. We need to make sure that our advancing officers are the best officers available and we need to nurture them so they can become the leaders of their respective Body. Some of our long-time members are considered "Mr. York Rite" in their respective area and are the names mentioned when you talk about the York Rite in (name the area). We need to make sure that our new Companions and officers are given enough knowledge that they complement the long serving Mr. York Rite in an area. We also need to be aware that less than 15 % of the Master Mason of Missouri belongs to the York Rite. We are failing pitifully in communicating to these Brethren what the York Rite can offer them. We are failing them by keeping this a secret from them.

We also need to emphasize Ritual. It has been my pleasure to attend many Councils throughout the state for both official and unofficial visits. To that end I am happy to report that the opening of these Councils were done quite well. I only saw a book being used by stand in for officers who were unable to attend that particular evening. For this I applaud you for working on your ritual. In attending regional conferring of the degrees, I saw outstanding work. There are true ritualists out there and while I applaud them, they need help. I am not blind to the realization that some of our Councils need help with Ritual. I encourage them to use what ever means that they can to execute Ritual until a new set of Ritualists are available to help.

We also need new bodies and ideas. We need to allow the new Companions to take part in our Ritual work; they will be long time loyal members to our Councils. The surprising part is that they are anxious and more than willing to get their feet wet. Just ask them.

We need to make sure our Council is financially sound. Each Council needs its officers to make a Budget at the beginning of the year and determine how much money it needs to operate for the year and then do what it has to, to be able to meet those requirements. If you have members that cannot afford a modest increase in dues then remit those members and adjust your dues to cover the non-paying members. If a Council gets to the point where money is a problem, then it is almost too late to make corrections to save that Council.

We need to encourage our members to be active in the youth organizations. There is no bigger disappointment for our youth that having a bunch of kids who are ready to join and belong and then not having an adult to nurture them along. I know of a place not far from here where the kids are willing but there is no adult to guide them. This is what some of us should be doing as part of our Masonic Obligation.

# **Itinerary for 2010-2011**

2010	_ <del>: : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : </del>
May 12-16	Grand York Rite Session Lake of the Ozarks
May 17	Rolla, Rolla #39
May 27	Independence, Independence Council #49 Table Council
May 30-31	Jefferson City, DeMolay Banquet and Conclave
June 12	Independence, Independence #49 Installation
June 24	Jefferson City, Jobs Daughters Grand Bethel
July 23	Pittsburgh, PA York Rite College
July 28	Branson, Check on Time Capsule
July 29	Springfield, Rainbow Girls Grand Assembly
Aug 28-28	Springfield, IL Illinois Grand York Rite
Sep 9	Honolulu, HI Hawaii Grand York Rite
Sep 22	St. Louis, Hiram #1
Sep 25-28	Columbia Grand Lodge
Oct 18	Webster Grove Jeremiah #48, York #40
Oct 23	Farmington Region 6 meeting
Oct 24	Columbia, Reception for Grand Commander
Oct 26	Shelbina, Shelby #59
Oct 27	St. Joseph, St Joseph #9
Nov 16	Lebanon, Lebanon #56
Nov 22	Columbia, Centralia # 3
Nov 29	Chillicothe, Chillicothe #28
Dec 13	Springfield, Zabud #25
Dec 20	Rolla, Rolla #39
<u>2011</u>	
Jan 8	Jefferson City, Grand Council Officers Meeting
Jan 9	Kirksville, Kirksville #44 Installation
Jan 11	Farmington Snowed out
Jan 17	Rolla, Rolla #39 Official Visit
Feb 21	Chillicothe, Chillicothe #28
Feb 24	Independence, Independence #49
Feb 26	Jefferson City, Audit Meeting
Mar 1	Sedalia, Sedalia #42
Mar 19	Kansas City, Order of True Kindred Installation
Mar 21	Rolla, Rolla #39
Mar 26	Rolla, Rolla #39 Installation
Apr 7	St Louis, Amaranth Grand Court
Apr 8-9	Manhattan, KS Grand Council Kansas
Apr 17	St. Louis Grand Master's Breakfast
Apr 18	Rolla, Rolla #39
Apr 28	Independence, Independence Table Council
May 9	Jefferson City Jefferson #32
May 16	Webster Groves Jeremiah #48

# ATTENDANCE WITH GRAND HIGH PRIEST AND GRAND COMMANDER.

It was also my pleasure to attend many meetings of affiliated Masonic Bodies with the Grand High Priest and the Grand Commander. It was truly an honor to be mentioned in the same vein with these outstanding York Rite Masons. We three were able to attend the respective Conclaves/Annual meetings of the DeMolay and Jobs Daughters in Jefferson City and the Rainbow Girls in Springfield. In each case we presented these youth groups with a check of \$500 from the Charity Endowment Fund. While in Springfield on July 28<sup>th</sup> we traveled to Branson to examine the Time Capsule. We found it to be in good shape and a tribute to the York Rite.

The heads of your York Rite Bodies also attended the Southwest Conference in Shreveport this past year to represent Missouri plus the Grand Sessions of the True Order of Kindred and the Grand Court of the Amaranth.

I personally attended the Grand York Rite sessions in Illinois, Hawaii, Arkansas and Kansas along with the York Rite College session in Pittsburgh. It was also my pleasure to be at the Installation of the Independence Council and install officers in Kirksville and Rolla. A complete list of my travels will be attached to this report.

#### **NECROLOGY**

"What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal." This famous quote by Albert Pike, 33°, Past Sovereign Grand Commander, Southern Jurisdiction Scottish Rite, is the foundation for what the fraternity is all about.

To make the fraternity just a little better than it was before us...because one by one, they pass away, the Brothers of our adoption, the Companions of our choice, for we must all answer the summons of the grim reaper. Many of our Companions have been called from labor to refreshment and we mourn their passing and send our heartfelt sympathies to their families and friends.

We will now have the Memorial Service by our Grand Chaplain.

#### **FIDELITY BOND:**

Fidelity Bond Policy No. RPS0582578 from Old Republic Surety Company through the Scott Agency, Inc. of Montgomery City, Missouri, indicating Fidelity Bond for one year prepaid premium on the Grand Treasurer in the amount of \$15,000, and the Grand Recorder in the amount of \$15,000. The bond is dated 4/15/2010 and expires 4/15/2011. (Note: bond was again renewed 4/15/2011 to 4/15/2012)

# **Dispensations:**

11/20/2010	Approved a meeting of the Chapter, Council and Commandery of
	Chillicothe to hold a joint meeting to determine the future of York
	Rite Masonry in Chillicothe.
12/7/2010	Approved joint meetings of Shekinah Council No. 24 with Orient
	Chapter No. 102 and Oriental Commandery No. 35.
12/15/2010	Approved request of Westport Council No. 38 to move its meeting
	place to the Swope Park Lodge.

## **Bylaws Approved:**

3/16/2011 Approved bylaws changes for Centralia Council 34 to amend the

Bylaws to provide for automatic dues increase due to Grand Council

per Capita increases.

# **Appointments:**

Terry R. Struse	Grand Conductor of the Council
William D. Snyder	Grand Marshall
Todd A. Schulze	Grand Steward
Larry W. Beck	Grand Sentinel
Larry D. Wyatt	Asst. Grand Sentinel
Kevin E. Weaver	Grand Chaplain
Robert L. Wright PGM	Grand Lecturer
Chris M. Jessen	Grand Organist
Daniel R. Quesenberry	Grand Chorister

## **Regional Deputies**

Region	RDGM	RDGL
1	Michael L. Dodd	Harley L. Kropf
2	Lloyd F. Waller	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
3A	Aaron M. Shoemaker	George L. Duncan
3B	Daniel R. Quesenberry	Mark S. Schroer
4	James M. Mosley	Steven C. Derendinger
5	Thomas L. Thomason	Kevin E. Weaver
6	Lee L. Francis	Johnny L. Schlenker
7A	Joseph P. Krill	Bradley T. Hicks
7B	Walter W. Doyle	Christopher C. McLemore, III

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

I understand it is my duty to recommend anything in which I feel would benefit the Craft. If time had permitted I would have liked to see the following implemented.

- Form a Grand Committee with one member each of each body along with an
  chairman agreed upon by the 3 Grand Officer who is responsible of securing the
  time and place of the Grand York Rite Session. Purpose to make sure we don't
  duplicate errors in the past where we did not get our first choice in where we will
  have Grand York Rite. I would also recommend that this chair have experience in
  negotiating contracts.
- 2. Shorten the Grand York Rite Session. We can eliminate one day and thus the expense of both the Grand York Rite and it's members if we make better use of our time. We waste too much time each year and we can streamline the sessions easily.
- 3. Continue to encourage the support of CMMRF. I feel that our members do not know the scope of good this charity does and how it may benefit all of us. We need to communicate the Good thing happening at CMMRF.
- 4. Continue the emphasis on Ritual. The tide is changing, we are getting more members and they are younger. We need to confer the best degree possible to encourage their participation.

I would like to thank MI Companion Robert H Bray who appointed me to this line, it was quite a surprise when he approached me about this appointment and I didn't know how to react. I thank him for his confidence; I know how much he loves the Grand Council and I hope I haven't let him down. My Masonic Grandfather, Bill Bowser for participating as Installing Master last year and I would like to thank all the past Grand Masters who helped me along the way and who were readily available with their counsel when asked for help. You know who you are, thank you Robert, Robert, Kevin, Teddy, Stanton, Sonny, Rich, Bob, and Bill.

Thank you Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Missouri for allowing me to serve this past year.

Last I want to thank my wife Glenda who unselfishly shares her time with me and various Masonic Bodies.

Fraternally,

James G. Haddox

Grand Master, Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Missouri

# Preliminary Proceedings

One Hundred Sixty-Sixth Annual Convocation

OF THE

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OF THE

State of Missouri



HELD AT CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2011, A.:.DEP.:.3011

## **GRAND YORK RITE OF MISSOURI - 2011**

Capitol Plaza Hotel and Convention Center Jefferson City, MO

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<u>Tuesday, May 17, 2011</u>			
3:00 PM	Early Registration - All 3 Bodies		
	Wednesday, May 18, 2011		
7:00 AM	Registration - All 3 Bodies - to 10:00 AM		
7:00 AM	Breakfast - On Your Own		
9:30 AM	Welcome by GHP, GM, & GC - Open to Ladies and Guests		
9:50 AM	Presentaion & Posting of Colors, Heroes of '76		
).50 THVI	Pledge of Allegiance		
	National Anthem		
	Presentation of Grand Council Officers		
	Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests		
10:00 AM	Formal Opening of the Grand Council		
	Welcoming Comments by Grand Master		
	Reception of Missouri Past Grand Masters		
	Reception of Missouri Regional Deputy Grand Masters		
	Reception of Grand Lecturer and Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers		
	Reception of Grand Representatives		
	Reception of Out of State Grand Council Officers		
	Reception of General Grand Council Officers		
	Reception of General Grand Council Representative & Brief Presentation		
	Reception of Grand Lodge Officers		
	Reception and Address of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri		
10:30 AM	Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee		
	Election of Officers		
	Address of Grand Master		
	Report of Committee on Grand Masters Address		
10:50 AM	Report of Jurisprudence Committee		
	Report of Finance Committee		
44 50 135	Address of General Grand Council Officer		
11:50 AM	Routine Business		
	Report of Election of Officers		
	Acceptance of Officers		
	Report of Grand Master Elect		
12.00 DM	Report of Committee on Time and Place Grand Council Called from Labor until 3:00 PM for Awards Presentation and		
	of Officers		
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1:00 PM	Order of the Siver Trowel		
3:00 PM	Grand Council Resumes Labor - Open to All		
3.00 I WI	Grand Council Awards Presentation		
	Installation of Grand Council Officers		
5:00 PM	Close Grand Council		
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7:00 PM	Dinner on your own		
7:00 PM	Grand Officers Dinner		

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#### PRELIMINARY REPORTS OF GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MISSOURI

# **Thursday, May 19, 2011**

<u> 1 nursday, May 19, 2011</u>				
7:00 AM	Registration - Chapter and Commandery only - to 10:00 AM			
7:00 AM	Breakfast Sponsored by Yeomen of York - Open to All			
8:00 AM	Palmyra Historical Chapter No. 2 - Royal Arch Masons			
9:00 AM	Presentation of Missouri Grand Chapter Officers - Open to Ladies and Guests			
	Welcoming Comments by the Grand High Priest			
	Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests			
	Formal Opening of the Grand Chapter			
	Reception of Missouri Past Grand High Priests			
	Reception of Missouri District Deputy Grand High Priests			
	Reception of Grand Lecturer and District Deputy Grand Lecturers			
	Reception of Grand Representatives			
	Reception of Out of State Grand Chapter Officers			
	Reception of General Grand Chapter Officers			
	Reception of General Grand Chapter Representative & Brief Presentation			
	Reception and Address of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri			
	Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee			
	Election of Officers			
	Address of Grand High Priest			
	Report of Jurisprudence Committee			
	Resume Labor and Remaining Business			
	Report of Finance Committee			
	Report of Grand Treasurer			
	Report of Grand Secretary			
11:00 AM	Routine Business			
	Report of Election of Officers			
	Acceptance of Officers			
	Report of Grand High Priest Elect			
	Report of Committee on Time and Place			
	Address of General Grand Chapter Officer			
12:00 PM	1			
Installation	of Officers			
	Lunch on Your Own			
1:30 PM	Order of High Priesthood			
3:00 PM	Grand Chapter Resumes Labor - Open to All			
	Grand Chapter Awards Presentation			
	Installation of Grand Chapter Officers			
5:00 PM	Close Grand Chapter			
	Pictures			
5:30 PM	Tall Cedars of Lebanon - Open to All Master Masons			
7:00 PM	Dinner on your own			
7:00 PM	Knights of York Cross of Honour business meeting			
8:00 PM	Grand Preceptory of Yeomen of York			

#### PRELIMINARY REPORTS OF GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MISSOURI

### Friday, May 20, 2011

	<u>Friday, May 20, 2011</u>		
7:00 AM	Registration - Commandery only - to 10:00 AM		
7:00 AM	Red Cross of Constantine Breakfast - Members Only		
8:00 AM	Welcoming Comments by Grand Commander		
	Formal Opening of Grand Commandery - Open to Ladies and Guests		
	Roll Call and Introduction of Grand Commandery Officers		
	Reception of Missouri Past Grand Commanders		
	Reception of Missouri Regional Grand Commanders		
	Reception of Grand Representatives		
	Reception of Out of State Grand Commandery Officers		
	Reception of Grand Encampment Officers		
	Reception of Grand Encampment Representative & Brief Presentation		
	Reception and Address of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri		
	Address of Grand Commander		
	Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests		
9:00 AM	Reconvene Grand Commandery		
	Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee		
	Election of Officers		
	Report of Finance Committee		
	Report of Grand Treasurer		
	Report of Grand Recorder		
10:30 AM	Additional Committee Reports - as needed		
	Routine Business		
	Report of Election of Officers		
	Acceptance of Officers		
	Report of Grand Commander Elect		
	Report of Committee on Time and Place		
	Address of Grand Encampment Officer		
	Grand Commandery Called from Labor until 3:00 PM for Awards Presentation and		
	of Officers		
	Knights Templar Education Foundation Committee Meeting		
	Lunch Sponsored by Yeomen of York - Open to All		
1:00 PM	Past Commanders Association		
3:00 PM	Grand Commandery Reconvened - Open to All		
	Grand Commandery Awards Presentation		
5 00 DM	Installation of Grand Commandery Officers		
5:00 PM	Grand Commandery Called from Labor		
6.00 DM	Pictures  Crand World Pita Dictinguished Cyasta Reportion, Penguet and Entertainment		
6:00 PM	Grand York Rite Distinguished Guests Reception, Banquet and Entertainment		
	Welcome by Missouri Grand High Priest, Grand Master and Grand Commander		
	Reception of Presiding Distinguished Guests		
Saturday May 21 2011			
7:00 AM	Saturday, May 21, 2011 Breakfast - On Your Own		
7:00 AM	Formation of Drill Committee and Drill Judges		
8:00 AM	Grand Commandery Asylum Drill Competition - Open to All		
6:30 PM	Grand York Rite Banquet and Awards Presentation - Open to All		
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Sunday, May 22, 2011			
8:00 AM	Religious Service - Open to All		
9:00 AM	Grand Officers Breakfast		
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# **Ladies Program**

Wednesday, May 18, 2011			
8:30 AM	Ladies Registration - Hospitality Room		
9:30 AM	Welcome by GHP, GM, & GC		
9:50 AM	Presentaion & Posting of Colors, Heroes of '76		
	Pledge of Allegiance		
	National Anthem		
	Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests		
10:00 AM	Assorted Games		
3:00 PM	Grand Council Resumes Labor - Open to All		
	Grand Council Awards Presentation		
	Installation of Grand Council Officers		
5:00 PM	Close Grand Council		
	Pictures		
	Dinner on your own		
7:00 PM	Grand Officers Dinner		
	<u>Thursday, May 19, 2011</u>		
8:00 AM	Ladies Registration - Hospitality Room		
3:00 PM	Grand Chapter Resumes Labor - Open to All		
	2007-2008 Grand Chapter Awards Presentation		
	Installation of 2008-2009 Grand Chapter Officers		
	Close Grand Chapter		
	Pictures		
7:00 PM	Dinner on your own		
	<u>Friday, May 20, 2011</u>		
8:00 AM	Ladies Registration - Hospitality Room		
8:00 AM	Welcoming Comments by Grand Commander		
	Formal Opening of Grand Commandery - Open to Ladies and Guests		
12:00 PM	Ladies Luncheon		
3:00 PM	Grand Commandery Reconvened - Open to All		
	Grand Commandery Awards Presentation		
	Installation of Grand Commandery Officers		
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	Reception of Presiding Distinguished Guests		
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8:00 AM	Grand Commandery Asylum Drill Competition - Open to All		
8:00 AM	Ladies Hospitality Room Open Until Noon		
6:30 PM	Grand York Rite Banquet and Awards Presentation - Open to All		
	Sunday, May 22, 2011		
8:00 AM	Religious Service - Open to All		
9:00 AM	Grand Officers Breakfast		

#### **Report on Grand High Priest Address**

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

Having received and read the address of Most Excellent Companion Christopher C. McLemore III, I commend him for his devotion to the York Rite of Missouri and the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, in particular.

His decision concerning by-laws changes, dispensations and edicts have been referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

I feel he has discharged the duties of his office. I commend him for his actions during the years he advanced through the Grand Line.

His recommendations are referred to his successor in office.

I wish him and his Lady Deanna all the best in the future and look forward to his joining the Past Grand High Priests as our Junior Past Grand High Priest.

Fraternally submitted George L. Duncan PGHP, Chairman

# MEMORIAL SERVICE BY LAWRENCE M. CRIPPS, GRAND CHAPLAIN

"For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face; now I know in part, but then I shall know fully just as I also have been fully known. (I Corinthians 13:12)

We mourn the loss of faithful companions, and remember especially Most Excellent Companion Delno J. Spellman, Past Grand High Priest, the years of 1970-1971 who have been called home by the Supreme High Priest.

There are many things that happen to us in life that we do not understand and for which we can find few answers. Often in life we must be content to live in the midst of mystery. Things come upon us that do not look like love. Sometimes there seems to be no reason or purpose in what has taken place. In the dark hour of loss, our hearts cry out for a reason and explanation. There will come a day when we all shall see clearly.

Meanwhile, we must exercise our faith in Christ and trust Him in those moments when we cannot see.

When life confronts us with mystery, we must, at that moment, place ourselves in the hand of One who does understand all that is beyond us. When the storms blow, and they will, we do have a source of strength and refuge. This stronghold cannot fail us. Our great defense is trust in the goodness and wisdom of God.

"What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this." (John 13:7)

<u>PRAYER</u>: God, give us grace to trust in your wisdom which is above and beyond all mysteries. Teach us to rely upon You in moments of peace and when the unexplainable storms blow.

In our Lord's name, we offer this prayer. AMEN

#### **Living Past Grand High Priests**

Charles A. Bottermuller	1971-1972
E. Allen Kohler	1976-1977
P. Vincent Kinkead	
Gene M. Zinn	
David A. Watson	
Virgil L. Bailey	
James M. Williams	
Richard D. Carroll	
Foster S Crawford	
Ervin A. Drewing	
Frank P. Wilfley, Jr.	
Larry L. Muir	
William E. Brenneman	
Ralph P. Bunnell	
Calvin D. Schroff	
Robert W. Schlichter	
Jose' R. Palacios	
Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	
Roy A. Welshon, Sr.	
Delbert R. Gentry	
Walter W. Doyle	
Kevin B. Sample	
Donald L. Trabue	
Harley L. Kropf	
William B. Stephenson, Jr.	2006-2007
Kenneth D. Dingman	
Robert E. Hardester	
George L. Duncan	

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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

Companions, at the beginning of the Grand Chapter year there were 48 subordinate chapters in Missouri. Approximately 21 percent of them were able to fulfill the requirements of the Distinguished Chapter Award. Chapter officers should make sure to start the year knowing what is necessary for this award. I think this would help substantially in increasing the number of awards we can give.

The requirements are essentially what every successful chapter ought to be doing as a matter of course; officers should attend conferences and ritual schools if possible, and the like. In fact, I believe our membership would increase significantly if every chapter could meet these criteria.

The following chapters qualified for the Distinguished Chapter Award:

Phillip R. Cary	St. Charles Missouri Chapter No. 1
Stanton T. Brown, II	Independence Chapter No. 12
Elbert F. Turner, Jr. (2010)	Mitchell Chapter No. 14
L. LeRoy Salmon	Mitchell Chapter No. 14
Hershel S. Bledsoe	Springfield Chapter No. 15
Paul G. Kingsley	Springfield Chapter No. 15

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Ronald L. Skiles	Columbia Chapter No. 17
Glen R. Osborn	Wyoming Chapter No. 43
David W. O'Dell	Lebanon Chapter No. 64
Kent A. Kramer	Oriental Chapter No. 78
Jerry L. Miles	Shelbina Chapter No. 99
Edward J. Fesenmeyer, Jr.	Keystone Chapter No. 146
Arnold D. Haddock	Mount Nebo Chapter No. 148

Fraternally submitted,

John E. Schofield, Chairman
Russell S. Hanson
Roy N. Thomas
Roy M. Gilkey
Claude M. Eckert
Scott S. Crawford

# GRAND CHAPTER JURISPRUDENCE REPORT 2011

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the Sate of Missouri Greetings:

The word "him" in 4th line of Article XIX, Section 169B is a misprint and should be "his".

Be it resolved that ARTICLE IV, Grand Officers, Section 26. Grand Officers, Paragraphs D., E., F., G., H., and I. be repealed.

Statement of Purpose: As amended May 3, 1997 and May 9, 1998, these paragraphs refer to the appointment of a Special Search Committee in the event that a vacancy occurs in the Offices of the Grand Secretary or the Grand Treasurer. Since these paragraphs require that the Grand High Priest, Grand Master and Grand Commander work in unison in the process to select members to serve on the Special Search Committee and since the Grand Commandery passed no corresponding legislation, these paragraphs are untenable and unenforceable.

In addition, **Section 26.** *Grand Officers*, **Paragraph B** already gives the Grand High Priest the authority to fill a vacancy in the Offices of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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GRAND CHAPTER
Preliminary Jurisprudence Report

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

#### Greetings:

The Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the dispensations allowed by the Grand High Priest. We find them within the scope of his inherent powers.

We have reviewed the By-laws changes for Subordinate Chapters that were approved or disapproved by him. We find those decisions in compliance with the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Chapter.

It appears that our Grand High Priest has performed a first in the annals of the Grand Chapter. Our readings of past <u>Proceedings</u> found no precedent for the removal of a Chapter once merged with another. Most Excellent Companion McClemore found a way and did it. Hence, Webb City Chapter No. 119 is again up and running as a separate entity. Although at labor under a special dispensation of reconstitution, and, with the assistance of nearby Chapters, this Chapter is inducting new candidates. We wish them all the luck in the world in their quest to recover their Charter.

When it appeared that Lone Star Chapter No. 30 was in dire straights and was contemplating demise, Most Excellent Companion McClemore jumped in with both feet. He was heard to mumble that no Chapter was going under during his watch. And indeed it did not. Our Grand High Priest offered his assistance, counsel and guidance all along the way. By granting a few concessions here and there, in unison with the Grand Master of Cryptic Masons and the Grand Commander of Knights Templar, and the valued assistance of the Grand Secretary, this Chapter has elected and installed new officers and is in the process of redeveloping its membership base.

It is quite obvious that our Grand High Priest has a firm grasp on the law of the Grand Chapter. This is an attribute that he has demonstrated several times in his self written dispensations.

His leadership has been superb and his guidance impeccable. He is commended for his astute reasoning and forward thinking.

Respectfully submitted.	
Stanton T. Brown	Walter W. Doyle
C. Brent Stewart	Robert W. Schlichter, Chairman

#### **CHAPTER ENDOWMENT REPORT 2010-2011**

To the Grand High Priest, Officers and Companions:

#### PRELIMINARY REPORTS OF GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MISSOURI

I would like to report that so far this year to date, March 31, 2011, we have increased our membership by eleven(11). This gives us a total of 547 endowed members. Although this amount seems small, I want to commend everyone for their work towards the endowed membership program. We are all aware that our returns on our investments are down. I would like to commend Don Trabue for his watchful eye over our investments.

I hope that we will work harder to make our endowed program really work.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter W. Doyle, Chairman Kevin B. Sample Donald L. Trabue

#### GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MISSOURI

Grand Treasurer's **Preliminary** Report June 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011

COMPANIONS: All funds are invested in banking institutions in Jefferson City, Ararat Temple Investment Account at Commerce Bank, Investor Services at Central Bank, and American Balanced Fund with Premier Bank. All bank 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 (Ararat Temple Investment Account at Commerce Bank, Investor Services at Central Bank, and American Balanced Fund with Premier 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, June 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011.

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	GENERAL FUND			
Total Assets, Jur	ne 1, 2010			
\$ 32,95	56.32			
Receipts:	Grand Secretary, etc.		\$ 33	3,185.67
Interest	Earned			429.07
Increase	e in Market Value (Investors Services)		3	3,382.53
Total Receipts			\$ 36	5,997.27
Disbursements:	Jefferson Act. #58915 - #1871 thru 1879	\$ 7,652.00		
	Jefferson Act. #74544 - #2608 thru 2694	26,172.03		
	Jefferson Act. #463929 – Debits	413.54		
	Total Disbursements:	\$ 34,237.57		
Excess of Disbur	rsements over Receipts:			
\$ 2,75	<u>59.70</u>			
Balance, Genera	l Fund, March 31, 2011			
\$ 35,71	16.02			
	Statement of Assets – General	<b>Fund</b>		
Interest Checkin	g Act. #58915, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.12	2%	\$	502.34
Interest Checkin	g Act. #74544, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.10	0%		195.24
Interest Checkin	g Act. #74325, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.10	0%		172.55

Prime Advantage Act. #463929, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25%

CD #5630, Hawthorn Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%, Matures 1/27/12

Investors Services (thru Central Bank-Jefferson City)

Business Investment Act. #30000211, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.25%

8,204.61

10.076.70

16,541.43

23.15

Total Assets, General Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 35,716.02

#### **GENERAL FUND (SPECIAL ACCOUNT)**

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$134,277.09

Receipts: Interest Earned \$ 749.08
Increase in Market Value, etc. (Commerce Bank Special Act.) 188.04
Increase in Market Value, etc. (American Balanced Fund) 5,887.07

Increase in Market Value, etc. (Investors Services) 2,121.28 \$ 8,945.47

Disbursements \$ 0.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

\$ 8,945.47

Total Receipts:

Balance, General Fund (Special Account), March 31, 2011

\$143,222.56

**Statement of Assets – General Fund (Special Account)** 

Prime Advantage Act. #463929, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25% \$14,793.72

Business Investment Act. #30000211, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.25% 200.54

CD #256805, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 1.45%, Matures 6/2/11 44,786.47

CD #1240435, Providence Bank-Jefferson City, 1.10%, Matures 5/11/12 20,419.60

American Balanced Fund (thru Premier Bank-Jefferson City)(Market Value) 52,648.66

Investors Services (thru Central Bank-Jefferson City) 10,373.57

Total Assets, General Fund (Special Account), March 31, 2011

\$143,222.56

#### GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MISSOURI

Grand Treasurer's <u>Preliminary</u> Report – Page 2 June 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011

#### ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2011

\$ 110,157.16

Receipts: Memberships (9) \$ 3,698.00
Interest Earned 730.75
Increase in Market Value, etc. Commerce Bank Special Act. 607.16
Total Receipts \$ 5,035.91

Disbursements: (Overpayment Refund) \$ 0.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

\$ 5,035.91

Balance, Life Membership Fund, March 31, 2011

\$115,193.07

Statement of Assets - Endowed Membership Fund

 Prime Advantage Act. #463929, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25%
 \$ 54,349.40

 Business Investment Act. #30000211, Providence Bank-Jefferson City, 1.25%
 2,004.47

 CD #901827115, Providence Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%, Matures 5/25/11
 29,160.61

 CD #337536, Hawthorn Bank-Jefferson City, 2.00%, Matures 11/21/10
 19,233.27

 CD #7604, Hawthorn Bank-Jefferson City, 2.00%, Matures 12/5/10
 10,445.32

Total Assets, Endowed Membership Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 115,193.07

#### **FOUNDATION FUND**

#### PRELIMINARY REPORTS OF GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MISSOURI

Total Assets, June 1, 2010 \$ 139,203.24 Receipts: Interest earned 1,996.61 Disbursements to Charities \$ 1.000.00 Excess of Receipts over Disbursements Balance, Foundation Account, March 31, 2011 \$140,199.85 Statement of Assets – Foundation Fund Prime Advantage Act. #463929, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25% \$ 4.677.53 Business Investment Act. #30000211, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.25% 776.87 CD #901072108, Providence Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%, Matures 5/25/11 24,524.34 CD #5531, Hawthorn Bank-Jefferson City, 1.50%, Matures 1/12/12 32,240,72 CD #901580759, Providence Bank-Jefferson City, 1.10%, Matures 4/15/12 50,900.86 C.D. #13540, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.20%, Matures 6/29/12 27,079.53 Total Assets, Foundation Account, March 31, 2011 \$140,199.85 TRIENNIAL FUND Total Assets, June 1, 2010 1.049.37 \$ Receipts: Interest Earned 2.40 **Total Receipts** 2.40 Disbursements: \$ 0.00 Excess of Receipts over Disbursements 2.40 Balance, Triennial Fund, March 31, 2011 \$ 1,051.77 Statement of Assets – Triennial Fund Prime Advantage Act. #463929, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25% \$ 1,051.77 Total Assets, Triennial Fund, March 31, 2011 1,051.77 PALMYRA FUND Total Assets, June 1, 2010 \$ 3,929.73 Interest Earned 7.40 Receipts: Increase in Market Value, etc. Commerce Bank Special Act. 31.97 **Total Receipts** 39.37 \$ 0.00 Disbursements: Excess of Receipts over Disbursements 39.37 Balance, Palmyra Fund, March 31, 2011 \$ 3,969.10 **Statement of Assets – Palmyra Fund** Prime Advantage Act. #463929, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25% 3,841.28 Business Investment Act. #30000211, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.25% 127.82 Total Assets, Palmyra Fund, March 31, 2011

#### GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MISSOURI

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#### SUPPLY FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 13,423.63

\$ 3,969.10

#### PRELIMINARY REPORTS OF GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MISSOURI

Receipts: Grand Secretary, etc. \$ 2,096.34 Interest Earned \$ 32.18

Total Receipts \$ 2,128.52

Disbursements: \$ 708.06

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements

\$ 1,420.46

Balance, Supply Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 14,843.99

Statement of Assets - Supply Fund

Prime Advantage Act. #463929, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.25% \$\frac{14,843.99}{}

Total Assets, Palmyra Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 14,843.99

Total Assets, All Funds, March 31, 2011 \$454,196.36

Fraternally submitted,

Donald L. Trabue, HPGHP Grand Treasurer

#### 2010-2011 REPORT OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL FUND COMMITTEE

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

At a regular meeting of the Grand Chapter officers held on July 10, 2010 at the Jefferson City Masonic Temple the officers voted to continue the fund raiser one more year. Materials requesting donations were printed by Blake Graphics of Farmington and mailed bulk rate on September 23, 2010 to the Royal Arch membership supplied by the Grand York Rite office. A total of 3,744 mailings (91.2%) reached their destinations as addressed, with 361 (8.8%) returned by the post office as undeliverable. Of those undeliverable, 139 return addresses were supplied by the post office and given to the Grand Secretary for upgrading the database. A total of 196 mailings returned with unknown addresses and 23 were confirmed deceased.

On November 12, 2010 a money market account was opened as a second account at New Era Bank in Farmington using monies transferred from the primary checking account. Donations received after November 12, 2010 were deposited to this money market account. On March 31, 2011 the sum of \$5,000.00 was transferred from the money market account to the Grand Chapter General Fund. The cumulative net gain for the project, as of April 25, 2011, in interest and donations, was \$12,862.89.

Fraternally submitted,

Dr. Steven C. Monrotus, Chairman C.C. McLemore, III Claude M. Eckert Dr. John W. Siscel

Robert E. Hardester, PGHP

#### 2010-2011 REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

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

Companions: The One Hundred Sixty Sixth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri will be held in conjunction with the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Missouri and the Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City. The Grand Chapter Convocation will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2012.

Fraternally submitted,

Steven C. Monrotus, Grand King

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARITY

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

Companions, Your Grand Chapter Charity Committee is proud to report the following donations:

#### **2010-2011 Grand Chapter Charity Donations:**

Grand High Priest C.C. McLemore has made the following charitable contributions:

\$500.00 Royal Arch Research Assistance \$500.00 Rainbow for Girls Leadership Conference \$500.00 Jobs Daughters Leadership Conference \$500.00 DeMolay Leadership Conference Scholarship \$2,000.00 Total

#### **Proposed Grand Chapter Charity Donations for 2011-2012**

After conferring with Steven Monrotus, the following is proposed:

\$500.00 Royal Arch Research Assistance \$500.00 Rainbow for Girls Leadership Conference \$500.00 Jobs Daughters Leadership Conference \$500.00 DeMolay Leadership Conference Scholarship \$2,000.00 Total

Any remaining earnings are to be left in the Foundation Fund.

Harley Kropf, Charity Committee Chairman Kevin Sample Don Trabue

Ralph Cantrell

#### 2010-2011 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri: Following is the proposed budget for 2011-2012:

#### Income

Per Capita, Membership ( 3,000 @ \$ 14.50 )	43,500.00
Per Capita, Endowed Membership	2,350.00
Exaltation Fees ( 100 @ \$ 10.00 )	1,000.00
General Fund Interest Income	
Interest	155.00
Earnings	820.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
Total	\$ 48,075.00

#### **Salaries and Allowances**

Salaries and Anowances	
Grand High Priest	3,000.00
Grand Treasurer	1,000.00
Grand Secretary	8,500.00
Clerical Assistant	7,500.00
Employment Taxes	1,200.00
Annual Convocation	1,750.00
Auditor	100.00
General Grand Chapter Per Capita ( 3,000 @ \$ 2.00 )	6,000.00
Grand High Priest Endowment to Palmyra	500.00
Grand Officer Expense	1,000.00
Insurance	100.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Office Equipment	1,500.00
Office Expenses	2,000.00
Office Rent	2,340.00
Past Grand High Priest Jewel	400.00
Postage	1,000.00
Printing of Proceedings	2,500.00
Royal Arch Magazine	5,000.00
Royal Arch Mason Magazine, Editor	50.00
Ritual Committee	
Storage Rent	1,200.00
Triennial Fund ( 3,000 @ \$ 0.07 )	<u>\$ 210.00</u>
Total	46,950.00
Total Income	48,075.00
Total Salaries and Allowances	\$ 6,950.00
Balance	1,125.00

On March 31, 2011 the sum of \$ 5,000.00 was transferred to the General Fund from the Supplemental Fund. The Grand Treasurer reported that interest and earnings

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income on endowed membership monies invested during the past year were not sufficient to meet the 2010 endowed membership distribution to the Chapters. The Committee approved the addition of \$ 3,822.25 to the Miscellaneous item of the 2010-2011 Grand Chapter budget to cover the earnings insufficiency necessary to complete a 100% 2010 endowed membership distribution. The call for something to be done to improve the investment strategies of the assets of this Grand Chapter was made many years ago, and, while progress has been made since then, the need still continues.

Fraternally submitted,

Steven C. Monrotus, Chairman Claude M. Eckert John E. Schofield

## **Report on Conferences**

I believe this report should be renamed "The York Rite Conferences NECROLOGY report." In my opinion we need to find a better way to meet than the system in use now.

There are two chief problems: First, we <u>must</u> meet in smaller groups than the state bodies, and second, the present system is a disaster, at least at the Chapter level. A few examples will help to explain.

Region one did not hold a conference. Many of the members saw no point in holding a meeting to talk to the "same people as last year and say the same things to each other." One Region 1 chapter went to Montgomery City to the Region 4 Meeting. They said Montgomery City "started down the same track" but soon opened the floor and had a great discussion and turned it into a positive meeting.

Here's a quote; "As a ten year member I feel out of place when I speak about how much that I love about Freemasonry has done for me as a person just to hear some old timer sit in the corner and complain about 'That's not the way we used to do it', or how someone has mismanaged the money and we as a whole are going broke." This attitude will never attract new members. Masonry means too much to me to be around this attitude.

Regions 2, 4 5 6 and 7 seemed to have conference similar to the ones we are accustomed to having in years past with one exception.

This brings us back to the basic problem. The larger the size of a group, the more difficult it is to find a date or dates that work for everyone. As I am confident that every officer has made his best effort to attend every function he possibly could, I submit the following:

Companions, I suggest the conference program in use now be scrapped and PUT OUT OF ITS MISERY! I welcome any discussion as to how we can find answers to these questions. In the Order of the Red Cross the Grand Council sends Zerubbabel to the throne of Darius, King of Persia to find a solution. We, unfortunately, do not have that choice.

Fraternally submitted,

John E. Schofield, Chairman, Claude M. Eckert, Roy N, Thomas, and all District Deputy Grand High Priests

#### **Golf Tournament**

This year's Golf Tournament was not held due to the cost to those participating. If we desired to play, we needed to come down on Monday, and stay through Saturday. While the tournament represents a good cause, we feel that it can be held later in the summer, probably at the same locale and improve participation and have more positive results.

We will be advising you of the date and time when the Golf Tournament will be held.

Ron Wood and Jim Snavely

#### GRAND YORK RITE AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT 2011

The joint committee on Grand York Rite Audit met with the Grand Secretary/Recorder and Grand Treasurer on February 26, 2011. Time constraints severely limited this review as it did notification to all of the members. On a positive note, no discrepancies were noted and further review will rely upon the annual reports of the Grand Secretary/Recorder and Grand Treasurer.

We were pleased to have with us Right Excellent Companion Steven C. Monrotus who provided a detailed report of the Grand Chapter fund raising effort.

Nevertheless, we are still bothered by the lack of a resolution for the storage issue. Likewise, the committee is still experiencing some confusion as to figures that appear in parenthesis under some line items. Generally speaking, figures in parenthesis represent negatives as would appear in the bottom line indicating that the particular line item had exceeded that which had been appropriated for the line item in the approved budget. In this case however, the figures in parenthesis have the totally different connotation that a negative charge has been assessed against that particular line item and not that the particular line item has exceeded appropriated funds.

The Joint Committee highly suggests an in depth review of its 2010 report by all incoming line officers especially the suggestions and recommendations.

Grand Chapter	Grand Council	Grand Commandery
Robert W. Schlichter	Robert W. Schlichter	Harold J. Richardson
Russell S. Hanson	Russell S. Hanson	Daniel R. Quesenberry
C.C. McLemore	Terry R. Struse	Larry T. Odom
Steven C. Monrotus	James G. Haddox	James S. Snavely
Claude M. Eckert	George M. Merkle	Harold L. Coots
Donald L. Trabue	Donald L. Trabue	Donald L. Trabue
Frederick A. Troxel	Frederick A. Troxel	Frederick A. Troxel
John E. Schofield	William C. Woolsey	Robert W. Schlichter
Roy L. Gilkey	David C. Witte	James G. Haddox
Roy N. Thomas	William G. Snyder	
Loren D. Lloyd	Todd A. Schulze	

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John W. Siscel

Larry W. Beck

Ronald L. Barrett

#### York Rite Masonic Youth Luncheon

Saturday, March 26, 2011 Masonic York Rite Temple Springfield, MO

A report on the York Rite Masonic Youth Event held in Springfield on March 26, 2011. The attendance was 77. After prayer, we enjoyed a chicken dinner luncheon prepared by the members of the Social Order of the Beauceant.

Members and officers of Springfield Chapter No. 15, RAM, Zabud Council No. 25, R&SM and St. John's Commandery No. 20, KT were present and represented by Companion and Sir Knight Paul Kingsley, he is the presiding officer of all three York Rite Bodies represented. Companion and Sir Knight Paul Kingsley presented a monetary gift to each of the local youth groups from the Southside York Rite Bodies.

The program began at 1:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Master of Ceremonies was MIC Bob L. Detherow, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Missouri and currently a Regional Grand Commander of Region 7 of the Grand Commandery of Missouri and Deputy Supreme Royal Patron of the Supreme Council, Inc., Order of the Amaranth. Dad Detherow, past Chapter Dad of Farnsworth Chapter gave comments about the reason for recognizing and supporting the Youth Groups and introduced the speakers.

#### Members of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls:

Vickie Bates, Grand Deputy and Membership Chairman for Rainbow and Amanda Bates, Grand Deputy arranged for the members of Republic Assembly No. 92, Republic, Mo., Faith Assembly No. 107, Sarcoxie, Mo. and Friendship Assembly No. 15, Ozark, Mo., to speak about several activities and lessons taught in Rainbow. Approximately 12 members of the Rainbow, including Mother Advisors and Worthy Advisors of the Assemblies gave comments. The Pledge group was represented by two young ladies, one was age 5. It was well received. Brianna Sisco, a member of Republic Assembly No. 84 and Grand Charity of the Grand Assembly of Rainbow for Girls spoke on Rainbow and moderated the Rainbow program with several of the Rainbow Girls speaking on various aspects of Rainbow. It was a well presented program.

#### Members of the International Order of Job's Daughters:

Kim Underwood, Past Honored Queen, Past Grand Bethel Honored Queen and Vice Grand Guardian of Missouri, Job's Daughters International presented the program for the Job's Daughters. She was assisted by Brianna Hall, Past Honored Queen, Past Jr. Miss Missouri and Rebecca Hairer, Past Honored Queen. Kim gave information from a power point presentation which encompassed all aspects of Job's Daughters and spoke on her personal involvement with Job's. She spoke about Bethel No. 8 reopening in Springfield. Bethel No. 8 was active in the 1930's and will be reopening soon. She is a graduate of Drury College here in Springfield and will soon be the Grand Guardian of Missouri, Job's Daughters International. Brianna Hall, Past Honored Queen and Rebecca Hairer, Past Honored Queen both spoke and wore the Grecian Robe and Cape of the Job's Daughters. Kim is an accomplished leader and represented Job's Daughters and their program very well.

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Members of the International Order of DeMolay:

Dad Bret Akers, Executive Director of Missouri DeMolay spoke about DeMolay and what it represents for young men. Dad Akers was accompanied by Dad Ed Culver from Wm F Kuhn DeMolay, Tom Shannon, PMC, and Ryan Weber, of Kirkwood DeMolay. Dad John Jenanian, Chapter Dad of the new DeMolay Chapter, Knights of Seven in Sparta, Mo. spoke about the new chapter and their programs. He was accompanied by Tyler Stodden, Master Councilor of the Knights of Seven and other DeMolay from his Chapter. Dad Bret Akers gave excellent comments about his experiences with DeMolay and then introduced Miss Evalyne McInnish, Missouri DeMolay State Sweetheart.

The Missouri DeMolay State Sweetheart, Miss Evalyne McInnish, Friendship Assembly No. 15, Grand Fidelity of the Grand Assembly of Rainbow for Girls, spoke about DeMolay and her experience with DeMolay and Job's Daughters working together. It is apparent why she was chosen the DeMolay State Sweetheart as she presented herself with dignity and represented Missouri DeMolay superbly.

At the completion of the presentations made by the representatives of the orders, the floor was opened for questions and answers. Several questions were asked and answered by the leaders from each group and a signup sheet was made available for all who would be interested in working with the youth groups.

Several adults signed up to work with Bethel No. 8, Job's Daughters, which will be reopening in Springfield this year, and five petitions were turned in by girls for membership in Bethel No. 8 and several petitions were taken to be completed later. Several adults signed up to work as advisors with Farnsworth DeMolay Chapter to help it reopen in Springfield. A commitment was made by several adults to work with all three youth groups, including the new Bethel No. 8, Knights of Seven DeMolay Chapter and Farnsworth DeMolay Chapter to help them be successful.

It was a rewarding and successful meeting and the comments and results were positive. The meeting was closed in Prayer.

Since the meeting, I have had several inquiries from different areas of southwest Missouri concerning all three youth groups and I will send the information to the proper people for action.

Fraternally,

Dad Bob L. Detherow

	r Representatives To Missouri	Grand Chapter	Representatives To Missouri
Alabama	Claude M. Eckert	Montana	D. Keith Duren
Alaska	C. Pete Duncan	Nebraska	Guy D. Ross
Alberta Canada	Richard J. Holmes		Fred M. Harle, Sr.
	Robert E. Hardester	Nevada	Clark McLemore
	James G. Wade	New Brunswick Canad	la Harry C. Reed, Jr.
Arkancac	Lionel J. Goede		Albert A. "Sony" Miller
Anetrio	LeRoy D. Unruh		Marion W. "Mick" Dey
			Allen B. Bess
	Gary A. Phillips		
	Marion L. Briggs		stralia
	Yukon Paul R. Cannon		David A. Watson
	Louis L. Monken		Ervin A. Drewing
	Scott Crawford		Matthew Quesenberry
Connecticut			Delbert R. Gentry
Delaware	Jose' R. Palacios		Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.
	Wilfred G. Soutiea, Jr.		Theodore Buckwick
England			Teddie E. Harrison
Finland	Rocky E. Weaver	Oklahoma	Bobby L. Detherow
Florida	George R. Johnson	Ontario Canada	Kevin B. Sample
France	Robert H. Bray	Oregon	Foster S. Crawford
Georgia	Calvin D. Schroff	Panama	Lewis C. Odneal
Germany	Terry Struse	Pennsylvania	Phillip W. Engel
Greece	Ronnie E. Green	Philippines	James A. Nunn
Hawaii	Stanton T. Brown	Portugal	William J. Bowser
			Robert W. Schlichter
Illinois	George L. Duncan		M. Robert Berger
India	David R. Vogler		Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
Indiana	William B. Stephenson, Jr.		William W. Gray
Ireland	James M. Williams	South Australia, Austra	alia Edgar D. Piles
	Kevin E. Weaver	South Carolina	
	Francis A. Latragna	South Dakota	Dan Daniel
Kansas	Jack Timmons	Spain	Steven C. Monrotus
			Emory J. Hampel
Louisiana		Tennessee	Charles A. Bottermuller
Maine	Fred F. Stuecken		Ralph P. Bunnell
	Harley L. Kropf		Ruipii I : Builleii
	William W. Mier	Vermont	Roy A. Welshon, Sr.
Maccachucatte	John E. Thrailkill	Victoria Australia	Walter W. Doyle
Michigan	Frank P. Wilfley, Jr.		Harold J. Richardson
Minnagata	Jerry F. Ward		Clyde F. Bondy, Jr.
	Kenneth D. Dingman, Jr.	West viigillia	Roy N. Thomas
Wilssissippi	Daniel R. Quesenberry	western Australia	C. C. McLemore
Missouri, PHA	Robert R. Anderson, Jr.	W1SCONSIN	Ronald L. Barrett
		w yoming	Larry D. Wyatt

Grand High Priest Address

at the

165th Annual Convocation

of the

Grand Chapter

of

Royal Arch Masons

of the

State of Missouri



Held At The Capitol Plaza Hotel Jefferson City, Missouri May 19, 2011

To the officers and companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri:

I want to thank everyone who is in attendance at the 165th Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri. It is a welcome sight for me to see everyone here today.

I want to extend a hearty welcome to the companions from other Jurisdictions who have taken the time to visit us. If you need any assistance whatever, please contact anyone of us.

To MIC James Haddox, and RESK Russell Hanson your friendship and support throughout the year. Your friendship is most appreciated.

To all the Grand Officers, I thank you very much for your assistance this year. I would also like to express my gratitude to all the District Deputy Grand High Priests and the District Deputy Grand Lecturers for all your help.

I have made visits this year to a number of Chapters. These will be listed in the final proceedings. I was cordially received in each Chapter and would like to extend my sincere thanks.

A special thanks goes out to Robert W. Schlichter for representing me at Caldwell Chapter #53 and to Robert R. (Doc) Anderson for his representation at the Minnesota Grand Session.

#### **SURETY BOND**

I received the Surety Bonds for the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary and will turn them over to my successor.

#### **DISPENSATIONS** Instituted Webb City Chapter #119 UD to hold meetings under August 19,2010 dispensation at Meridian Sun Chapter #61 in Alba, Mo. Seven candidates were initiated, 5 for Webb City Chapter #119 and one each for Joplin #91, and Meridian Sun #62. Webb City # 119 opened in Webb City Lodge. November 29, 2011 Issued dispensation appointing Robert W. Schlichter to represent the Grand High Priest at Lone Star No. 30. Issued dispensation approving Lone Star No. 30's request to change the February 16, 2011 date of its annual election and installation of officers to February 21, 2011. February, 2011 Issued to Grandview Chapter #145 dispensation to move their meeting place to 8521 Oldham Road, Kansas City, MO. Granted dispensation to William F. Kuhn Chapter #139 and Grandview April 9, 2011 Chapter #145 to hold a special joint meeting on April 18, 2011 for the purpose of selecting a new name and number for the new combined Chapter and to elect officers. Approved new By-Laws of Keystone Chapter #146 April 18, 2011 April 19, 2011 Approved the merger of William F. Kuhn Chapter #139 and Grandview Chapter #145. They have voted to merge and I name the new Chapter Harry D. Brown Jr. Chapter #284. I also approved By-Laws, final details and new officers if approved by Jurisprudence.

#### **NECROLGY**

I was able to attend the Memorial Service for our Senior Past Grand High Priest, Delno J. Spellman on April 21, 2011 at Second Baptist Church in Springfield, Mo. A number of our Companions have been called home during this past year to be forever with our Supreme Grand High Priest in heaven. We offer our condolences and prayers to the

families of our departed Companions and Brothers. I ask now that our Grand Chaplain VEC Rev. Lawrence M. Cripps to conduct our Necrology Service for our departed Companions.

#### **MEMORIAL SERVICE**

Very Excellent Companion Rev. Lawrence M. Cripps

"For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face; now I know in part, but then I shall know fully just as I also have been fully known." (I Corinthians 13:12)

We mourn the loss of faithful companions, and remember especially most excellent companion Delno J. Spellman, Past Grand High Priest, the-years of 1970-1971 who have been called home by the-Supreme High Priest There are many things that happen to us in life that we do not understand and for which we can find few answers.

Often in life we must be content to live in the midst of mystery. Things come upon us that do not look like love. Sometimes there seems to be no reason or purpose in what has taken place. In the dark hour of loss, our hearts cry out for a reason and explanation. There will come a day when we all shall see clearly. Meanwhile, we must exercise our faith in Christ and trust Him in those moments when we cannot see.

When life confronts us with mystery, we must, at that moment, place ourselves in the hand of One who does understand all that is beyond us. When the storms blow and they will, we do have a source of strength and refuge. This stronghold cannot fail us. Our great defense is trust in the goodness and wisdom of God.

"What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this." (John 13:7)

PRAYER: God. give us grace to trust in your wisdom which is above and beyond all mysteries. Teach us to rely upon You in moments of peace and when the unexplainable storms blow. In our Lord's name, we offer this prayer. AMEN

#### GRAND HIGH PRIEST TRAVEL SCHEDULE

5-13-16,2010	Grand York Rite Session
5-22-10	State DeMolay Jefferson City, MO
5/30/2010	State DeMolay, Jefferson City
6/2/2010	Official Visit, Greenfield Chapter No. 38
6/3/2010	Official Visit, Vincil Chapter No. 110
6/5/2010	Reception, Greenfield Masonic Temple
6-2-10	Greenfield Chapter #38 Official Visit
6-3-10	Vincil Chapter #110 Official Visit
6-16-10	Memorial Council #420 AMD Alba, M020
6-17-10	Joint 7B Official Visit, Alba, Mo
6-19-10	Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priest Springfield, MO
6-22-10	Washington Lodge #87
6-24-10	State Job's Daughters Jefferson City, MO
6-25-10	MEC Robert Anderson represented me at Grand Chapter of Minnesota
6-26-10	KYCH degree at Buckner, MO
6-26-10	James Haddox, Russell Hanson and I inspected the Time Capsule in Branson,
	MO.
6-27-10	State Rainbow Girls in Springfield, MO
7-10-10	Grand Officers Meeting, Jefferson City, MO
7-15-10	Meridian Sun Chapter #61 in Alba, MO
7-20-10	Lebanon Chapter #64 Official Visit
7-24-10	Order of the Purple Cross Pittsburgh, PA

8-14-10	Missouri Regional RCC Joplin, MO
8-16-10	United Lodge #5 Springfield, MO
8-19-10	Meridian Sun Chapter #61 Instituted Webb City Chapter#119 Initiated 7
	candidates.
8-24-10	Washington Lodge #87 Visit by Masonic Home Representative.
9-1-10	Greenfield Chapter #38 DDGHP Official Visit
9-2-10	Vincil Chapter #110 and Bert S. Lee Council. # 58
9-6-10	Webb City Chapter # 119 U D
9-11-10	Grand Officers Meeting, Jefferson City, Mo and Memorial Council #420 AMD at
	Alba, MO '
9-16-10	Meridian Sun Chapter #61 meeting at Alba, MO
9-18-10	Region #5 Forum at Keystone Chapter #146, Melville, MO
9-20-10	United Lodge #5 Springfield, MO
9-27&28-10	Grand Lodge of Missouri at Columbia, MO
10-4-10	Webb City Chapter #119 at Webb City Installed Officers
10-6-10	Greenfield Chapter #38 at Greenfield, MO
10-7-10	Vincil Chapter #110 Springfield, MO
10-20-10	Bolivar Chapter #5 Bolivar MO
10-21-10	Mountain Grove Chapter, #137 Fidelity Council #34 and Mountain Grove
	Chapter #66 at Mountain Grove, MO
10-23-10	Forum for Region 6 at Farmington, MO
10-28-10	MSRIF at Buckner, MO
10-29-10	Ozark Council #240 AMD, Springfield, MO Installed officers:
10-30-10	Cell Arne Council #76 KM and Ray V.Denslow Council # 180 York Rite College
	Springfield, MO
11-1-10	Montgomery City Triune Chapter #93, Montgomery City, MO
11-3-10	Greenfield Chapter # 38 and Constantine Commandery #27 Greenfield, MO
11-5 & 6-10	York Rite Festival Springfield, MO
11-9-10	Shelbina Chapter #99 Shelbina, MO
11-13-10	Grand Officers Meeting Jefferson City, MO
11-15-10	United Lodge #5 Springfield, MO
11-16-10	DDGHP Official Visit Lebanon Chapter #64 Lebanon, MO
11-18-10	East Gate Chapter # 136 Kansas City, MO
11-23-10	Washington Lodge #87 Greenfield, MO
12-1-10	Greenfield Chapter #38 Greenfield, MO
12-2-10	Vincil Chapter # 110 Springfield, MO
12-4-10	Memorial Council #420 AMD Alba, MO
12-6-10	Wyoming Chapter #43 at Pleasant Hill, MO
12-11-10	House of Lords Tabernacle HRAKTP Springfield, MO
12-15-10	Eminence Chapter #93 OES Alba,MO
12-16-10	Carthage York Rite Christmas at Sirloin Stockade, Carthage
12-18-10	Region 8 Commandery Workshop
12-20-10	United Lodge #5 Springfield, MO
1-5-:11	Greenfield Chapter #38 Greenfield, MO
1-6-11	Vincil Chapter #110 Springfield, MO
1-8-11	Mitchell Chapter #142 Forum for Region 2B S1.Joseph,MO
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1-9-11	Bob Schlichter represented the Grand High Priest at Caldwell Chapter #53 at
1 15 11	Kirksville, Mo Installation of Officers.
1-15-11	Region 7 Ritual School at Greenfield, MO
1-17-11	United Lodge #5 Springfield, MO
1-20-11	Meridian Sun Chapter #61, Alba, MO
1-25-11	Washington Lodge #87 Greenfield, MO
1-29-11	Ray V. Denslow York Rite College and Cell Arne Council KM Springfield, MO
2-8-12-11	National Masonic Week Arlington, VA
2-17-11	Meridian Sun Chapter #61 Alba, MO
2-21-11	United Lodge #5 Springfield, MO
2-23-11	Washington Lodge #87 Greenfield, MO
2-26-11	Grand Chapter Audit Meeting Jefferson City, MO
3-2-11	Greenfield Chapter #38 Greenfield, MO
3-3-11	Vincil Chapter #110 Springfield, MO
3-5-11	Sword of Bunker Hill, Richland, MO
3-5-11	Memorial Council #420 at Alba, MO
3-7-11	United Lodge #5 Springfield, MO
3-8-11	Washington Lodge #87 Greenfield, MO
3-12-11	Grand York Rite planning session, Jefferson City, MO
3-15-11	Washington Lodge #87 Greenfield, MO
3-17-11	Meridian Sun Chapter #61 Alba, MO
3-19-11	State Grand True Kindred meeting and installation
3-21-11	United Lodge #5 Springfield, MO
3-22-11	Washington Lodge #87 Greenfield, MO
3-29-11	Washington Lodge #87 Greenfield, MO
4-4-11	United Lodge #5 Springfield, MO
4-7-11	Grand Amaranth St. Louis MO
4-9-11	Grand Officers Meeting Jefferson City, MO
4-16-11	Sword of Bunker Hill Eldon, MO
4-18-11	Webb City Chapter # 119 Webb City, MO
4-21-11	Meridian Sun Chapter #61 Alba, MO
4-23-11	Sword of Bunker Hill Lebanon, MO
4-29-11	St Andrew Conclave RCC at Alba, MO
4-30-11	Ray V. Denslow York Rite College
	Cell Arne Council #76 KM Springfield, MO
5-2-11	United Lodge #5 Springfield, MO
5-4-11	Greenfield Chapter #38 Greenfield, MO
5-5-11	Vincil Chapter #110 Springfield, MO
5-6&7-11	York Rite Festival Springfield, MO
5-14-11	Washington Lodge #87 Greenfield, MO MOCHIPS

#### **CLOSING REMARKS**

I want to thank you all for the wonderful opportunity you have extended to me this year, by allowing me to serve as the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter. I have enjoyed the year very much. Let me urge you to continue to concentrate on membership. As you all know we continue to lose members yearly. You all have an excellent opportunity for progress next year as our upcoming Grand High Priest, Steven Monrotus has many new ideas for new programs that I am sure would be of benefit. I urge you all to support and assist him for the betterment of the Craft.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Ronald E. Wood Jr.	Grand Historian
James M Williams PGHP	
Calvin D. Schroff PGHP	Grand Lecturer
Walter W. Doyle PGHP	Grand Lecturer
Fred M. Harle, Sr.	Grand Organist
Lawrence M. Cripps	Grand Chaplain
Clark A. McLemore	Grand Sentinel

District Deputy Grand High Priest and District Deputy Grand Lecturers were appointed for each District.

#### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

Charles E. Cooper	Region 1, District A (53,118,123)
Michael L. Dodd	Region 1, District B (7,22,79,86,99)
Dan G. Daniel	Pagion 2 District $\Lambda$ (20.66.90)
William W. Mier	Region 2, District B (4,14)
John W. Gibson	Dagion 2 District A (2.10.12)
George L. Duncan, PGHP	
George L. Duncan, PGHP	Region 3, District C (18,43,90,145)
Terry R. Struse	Region 4, District A (17,27,93)
Stephen C. Derendinger	Region 4, District B (32,34,58)
Gale B. Morrison	Region 5 (1,25,78,131,146,148)
Jack D. Cade	Region 6 (75,114,129)
John W. Shoemaker	Danies 7 District A /F 1F (4 11/) 127)
Christopher C. McLemore, IV	Region 7, District B (38,52,56,61,91)

#### **DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS**

David A. Lloyd	Region 1, District A (53,123)
Harley L. Kropf, PGHP	Region 1, District B (7,22,79,86,99)
Delbert R. Gentry, PGHP	
Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	
Scott S. Crawford	Region 3, District A (3,10,12)
Forrest G. Lowe	Region 3, District B (28,102,136,139)
Jack E. Timmons	
Russell S. Hanson	D = 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1
Timothy R. Lehnhoff	Region 4, District B (32,34,58)

Robert L. Wright	Region 5 (1,25,78,131,146,148)
Johnny L. Schlenker	Region 6 (75,114,129)
Walter W. Doyle, PGHP	Region 7, District A (5,15,64,110,137)
Christopher C. McLemore, III	Region 7, District B (38,52,56,61,91)

#### FUND RAISER

The Grand Officers started a fund this year to raise money for some of the Grand Chapter expenses. The net gain for the fund raiser reached a milestone of \$7,900.91 on March 29, 2010. I want to thank Steve Monrotus for chairing this project.

#### **COURTESY 50 YEAR RECOGNITION - KAY WENDELL NELSON**

Fraternally,

C.C. McLemore, III
Grand High Priest, Royal Arch Masons of Missouri

# Preliminary Proceedings

One Hundred Fiftieth Annual Conclave

Grand Commandery

of

Knights Templar
of Hissouri



HELD AT CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2011, A.:.DEP.:.3011

# **GRAND YORK RITE OF MISSOURI - 2011**

Capitol Plaza Hotel and Convention Center Jefferson City, MO

<u>Tuesday, May 17, 2011</u>			
3:00 PM	Early Registration - All 3 Bodies		
	Wednesday, May 18, 2011		
7:00 AM	Registration - All 3 Bodies - to 10:00 AM		
7:00 AM	Breakfast - On Your Own		
9:30 AM	Welcome by GHP, GM, & GC - Open to Ladies and Guests		
9:50 AM	Presentaion & Posting of Colors, Heroes of '76		
<b>7.0</b> 0 1 11.1	Pledge of Allegiance		
	National Anthem		
	Presentation of Grand Council Officers		
	Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests		
10:00 AM	Formal Opening of the Grand Council		
	Welcoming Comments by Grand Master		
	Reception of Missouri Past Grand Masters		
	Reception of Missouri Regional Deputy Grand Masters		
	Reception of Grand Lecturer and Regional Deputy Grand Lecturers		
	Reception of Grand Representatives		
	Reception of Out of State Grand Council Officers		
	Reception of General Grand Council Officers		
	Reception of General Grand Council Representative & Brief Presentation		
	Reception of Grand Lodge Officers		
40.00 13.5	Reception and Address of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri		
10:30 AM	Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee		
	Election of Officers		
	Address of Grand Master		
10.50 434	Report of Committee on Grand Masters Address		
10:50 AM	Report of Finance Committee		
	Report of Finance Committee Address of General Grand Council Officer		
11.50 AM	Routine Business		
11.30 AW	Report of Election of Officers		
	Acceptance of Officers		
	Report of Grand Master Elect		
	Report of Committee on Time and Place		
12:00 PM	Grand Council Called from Labor until 3:00 PM for Awards Presentation and		
	of Officers		
	Lunch on Your Own		
1:00 PM	Order of the Siver Trowel		
3:00 PM	Grand Council Resumes Labor - Open to All		
	Grand Council Awards Presentation		
	Installation of Grand Council Officers		
5:00 PM	Close Grand Council		
	Pictures		
7:00 PM	Dinner on your own		
7:00 PM	Grand Officers Dinner		

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# **Thursday, May 19, 2011**

7:00 AM	Registration - Chapter and Commandery only - to 10:00 AM
7:00 AM	Breakfast Sponsored by Yeomen of York - Open to All
8:00 AM	Palmyra Historical Chapter No. 2 - Royal Arch Masons
9:00 AM	Presentation of Missouri Grand Chapter Officers - Open to Ladies and Guests
	Welcoming Comments by the Grand High Priest
	Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests
	Formal Opening of the Grand Chapter
	Reception of Missouri Past Grand High Priests
	Reception of Missouri District Deputy Grand High Priests
	Reception of Grand Lecturer and District Deputy Grand Lecturers
	Reception of Grand Representatives
	Reception of Out of State Grand Chapter Officers
	Reception of General Grand Chapter Officers
	Reception of General Grand Chapter Representative & Brief Presentation
	Reception and Address of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri
	Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee
	Election of Officers
	Address of Grand High Priest
	Report of Jurisprudence Committee
	Resume Labor and Remaining Business
	Report of Finance Committee
	Report of Grand Treasurer
	Report of Grand Secretary
11:00 AM	Routine Business
	Report of Election of Officers
	Acceptance of Officers
	Report of Grand High Priest Elect
	Report of Committee on Time and Place
11:45 AM	Address of General Grand Chapter Officer
12:00 PM	Grand Chapter Called from Labor until 3:00 PM for Awards Presentation and
	n of Officers
	Lunch on Your Own
1:30 PM	Order of High Priesthood
3:00 PM	Grand Chapter Resumes Labor - Open to All
	Grand Chapter Awards Presentation
	Installation of Grand Chapter Officers
5:00 PM	Close Grand Chapter
	Pictures
5:30 PM	Tall Cedars of Lebanon - Open to All Master Masons
7:00 PM	Dinner on your own
7:00 PM	Knights of York Cross of Honour business meeting
8:00 PM	Grand Preceptory of Yeomen of York

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# Friday, May 20, 2011

	<u>Friday, May 20, 2011</u>
7:00 AM	Registration - Commandery only - to 10:00 AM
7:00 AM	Red Cross of Constantine Breakfast - Members Only
8:00 AM	Welcoming Comments by Grand Commander
	Formal Opening of Grand Commandery - Open to Ladies and Guests
	Roll Call and Introduction of Grand Commandery Officers
	Reception of Missouri Past Grand Commanders
	Reception of Missouri Regional Grand Commanders
	Reception of Grand Representatives
	Reception of Out of State Grand Commandery Officers
	Reception of Grand Encampment Officers
	Reception of Grand Encampment Representative & Brief Presentation
	Reception and Address of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri
	Address of Grand Commander
	Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests
9:00 AM	•
	Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee
	Election of Officers
	Report of Finance Committee
	Report of Grand Treasurer
10.20 AM	Report of Grand Recorder
10:30 AM	Additional Committee Reports - as needed Routine Business
	Report of Election of Officers Acceptance of Officers
	Report of Grand Commander Elect
	Report of Committee on Time and Place
11·15 AM	Address of Grand Encampment Officer
	Grand Commandery Called from Labor until 3:00 PM for Awards Presentation and
	n of Officers
	Knights Templar Education Foundation Committee Meeting
	Lunch Sponsored by Yeomen of York - Open to All
1:00 PM	<u>*</u> *
3:00 PM	Grand Commandery Reconvened - Open to All
	Grand Commandery Awards Presentation
	Installation of Grand Commandery Officers
5:00 PM	Grand Commandery Called from Labor
	Pictures
6:00 PM	Grand York Rite Distinguished Guests Reception, Banquet and Entertainment
	Welcome by Missouri Grand High Priest, Grand Master and Grand Commander
	Reception of Presiding Distinguished Guests
	<u>Saturday, May 21, 2011</u>
7:00 AM	Breakfast - On Your Own
7:00 AM	Formation of Drill Committee and Drill Judges
8:00 AM	Grand Commandery Asylum Drill Competition - Open to All
6:30 PM	Grand York Rite Banquet and Awards Presentation - Open to All
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0.00 43#	Sunday, May 22, 2011
8:00 AM	Religious Service - Open to All
9:00 AM	Grand Officers Breakfast

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# **Ladies Program**

#### Wednesday, May 18, 2011 Ladies Registration - Hospitality Room 8:30 AM 9:30 AM Welcome by GHP, GM, & GC 9:50 AM Presentaion & Posting of Colors, Heroes of '76 Pledge of Allegiance National Anthem Dismissal of Ladies and Non-Member Guests 10:00 AM Assorted Games 3:00 PM Grand Council Resumes Labor - Open to All **Grand Council Awards Presentation Installation of Grand Council Officers** 5:00 PM Close Grand Council **Pictures** Dinner on your own 7:00 PM **Grand Officers Dinner Thursday, May 19, 2011** Ladies Registration - Hospitality Room 8:00 AM 3:00 PM Grand Chapter Resumes Labor - Open to All 2007-2008 Grand Chapter Awards Presentation Installation of 2008-2009 Grand Chapter Officers Close Grand Chapter **Pictures** 7:00 PM Dinner on your own Friday, May 20, 2011 Ladies Registration - Hospitality Room 8:00 AM 8:00 AM Welcoming Comments by Grand Commander Formal Opening of Grand Commandery - Open to Ladies and Guests 12:00 PM Ladies Luncheon 3:00 PM Grand Commandery Reconvened - Open to All **Grand Commandery Awards Presentation Installation of Grand Commandery Officers** 6:00 PM Grand York Rite Distinguished Guests Reception, Banquet and Entertainment Welcome by Missouri Grand High Priest, Grand Master and Grand Commander Reception of Presiding Distinguished Guests **Saturday, May 21, 2011** Grand Commandery Asylum Drill Competition - Open to All 8:00 AM 8:00 AM Ladies Hospitality Room Open Until Noon 6:30 PM Grand York Rite Banquet and Awards Presentation - Open to All **Sunday, May 22, 2011** Religious Service - Open to All 8:00 AM 9:00 AM Grand Officers Breakfast

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#### GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF MISSOURI

Grand Treasurer's **Preliminary** Report June 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011

**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 \$250,000 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, June 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011

	GENERAL FUND		
Total Assets, Jun \$163,85			
Receipts:	Grand Recorder, etc.	\$ 48,831.88	
	Interest Earned	1,321.72	
Total Receipts		\$ 50,153.60	
Disbursements:	Jefferson Act. #59336–Checks 1611 thru 1641 \$ 100.00		
	Jefferson Act. #74544-Checks 2579 thru 2694 19,694.48		
Tatal Diahamaan	Jefferson Act. #463996 – Debits 368.67		
Total Disbursem	ents: \$ 20,163.15 ots over Disbursements		
\$ 29,99			
	Fund, March 31, 2011		
\$193,84			
	sets – General Fund		
	g Act. #59336, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.10%	\$ 1,045.97	
	g Act. #74544, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.10%	152.01	
,	g Act. #74325, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.10%	134.28	
	e Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.30% ment Act. #30000211, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.25%	75,902.96 28,593.25	
	Providence Bank-Jefferson City, 1.75%, Matures 6/18/11	40,349.71	
	ferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.35%, Matures 6/24/11	23,617.78	
	ovidence Bank-Jefferson City, 1.10%, Matures 5/11/12	16,877.01	
	ferson Bank-Jefferson City, 1.20%, Matures 6/29/12	7,172.57	
Total Assets, Ge	neral Fund, March 31, 2011		
\$193,845.54			
	ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP		
Total Assets, Jun			
\$ 85,92		¢ 5,000,00	
Receipts:	Memberships (9) Interest Earned	\$ 5,000.00 1,272.19	
Total Receipts:	merest Earned	\$ 6,272.19	
Disbursements:	2009 Earnings Distribution to Commanderies \$ 355.36	Φ 0,272.17	
Discursements.	2009 Earnings Distribution to Grand Commandery 1,595.32		
Total Disbursements: \$1,950.68			
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements			
<u>\$ 4,321.51</u>			
Balance, Endowed Membership Fund, March 31, 2011 \$ 90,249.60			
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	Statement of Assets – Endowed Membership Fund		

Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.30%

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\$ 3,818.47

CD #901880729,Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.75%,Matures 4/19/11	40,700.55
CD #901156068, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.75%, Matures 5/12/11	22,849.61
CD #901220782,Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.75%,Matures 6/18/11	18,157.37
CD #11067673621, UMB Bank-Jefferson City, 0.90%, Matures 7/24/11	4,723.60

Total Assets, Endowed Membership Fund, March 31, 2011 \$90.249.60

#### GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF MISSOURI

Grand Treasurer's <u>Preliminary</u> Report – Page 2 June 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011

#### **GENERAL FUND (SPECIAL ACCOUNT)**

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$103,906.09

Receipts: Interest Earned \$ 1,376.46

Disbursements \$ 0.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements

\$ 1,376.46

Balance, General Fund (Special Account), March 31, 2011

\$ 105,282.55

<u>Statement of Assets – Retirement Fund</u>

CD #257132, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 1.45%, Matures 4/22/11 \$42,633.12

CD #262733, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 1.00%, Matures 12/9/11 62,649.43

Total Assets, Retirement Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 105,282.55

#### TRIENNIAL ENDOWMENT FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 21,022.57

Receipts: Interest Earned \$ 305.99 Total Receipts: \$ 305.99

Disbursements: Interest Earned – Transferred to Triennial Fund \$ 305.99

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

\$ 0.00

Balance, Triennial Endowment Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 21,022.57

<u>Statement of Assets – Triennial Endowment Fund</u>

C.D.#17866, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 2.06%, Matures 5/1/11 \$ 21,022.57

Total Assets, Triennial Endowment Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 21,022.57

#### TRIENNIAL FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 389.08

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Receipts:Account Interest Earned<br/>Interest from Triennial Endowment Fund\$6.83<br/>305.99Total Receipts\$312.82

Disbursements: \$ 0.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements

312.82

Balance, Triennial Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 701.90

**Statement of Assets – Triennial Fund** 

Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.30% (\$ 2,319.63)

Business Investment Act. #30000211, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.25% 1,492.19

CD #17866, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 2.04%, Matures 5/1/11 1,529.34

Total Assets, Triennial Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 701.90

#### MISSOURI KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION COMMITTEE FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 78,881.70

Receipts: Interest earned \$ 2,169.06 Misc. Contributions \$ 820.60

Total Receipts: \$ 2,989.66

Disbursements: Knight Templar Eye Foundation \$ 0.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements

\$ 2,989.66

Balance, Missouri Knights Templar Eye Foundation Committee Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 81,871.36

Statement of Assets - Missouri Knights Templar Eye Foundation Committee Fund

 Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.30%
 \$ 4,597.97

 CD #428280, Hawthorn Bank-Jefferson City, 1.10%, Matures 9/7/11
 31,809.37

 CD #7277, Hawthorn Bank-Jefferson City, 1.05%, Matures 10/8/11
 12,650.29

 CD #357340, Exchange Bank-Jefferson City, 1.20%, Matures 4/22/12
 32,813.73

Total Assets, Missouri Knights Templar Eye Foundation Committee Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 81,871.36

#### GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF MISSOURI

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#### **SUPPLY FUND**

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 8,845.14

Disbursements: \$ 311.05

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements

\$ 1,211.70

Balance, Capital Assets Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 10,056.84

**Statement of Assets – Supply Fund** 

Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.30% \$10,056.84

Total Assets, Supply Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 10,056.84

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#### HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE ENDOWMENT FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 44,999.28

Receipts: Various Donations \$ 1,276.81
Interest Earned \$ 553.56

Total Receipts

\$ 1,830.37

 $Disbursements: \quad Interest \; Earned-Transferred \; to \\$ 

Holy Land Pilgrimage Operating Fund \$ 553.56

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements

\$ 1,276.81

Balance, Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 46,276.09

Statement of Assets - Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund

 Prime Advantage Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.30%
 \$ 3,749.55

 CD #15626, Providence Bank – Jefferson City, 2.10%, Matures 5/1/11
 14,487.84

 CD #11067593620, UMB Bank-Jefferson City, 0.90%, Matures 6/24/11
 7,272.45

 CD #262734, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 1.00%, Matures 12/90/11
 6,766.25

 CD #342668, Hawthorn Bank-Jefferson City, 1.20%, Matures 2/17/12
 14,000.00

Total Assets, Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 46,276.09

#### HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE OPERATING FUND

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 5.832.48

Receipts: Various Donations \$ 184.03
Interest Earned 52.96
Interest from Holy Land Pilgrimage Endowment Fund 553.56
Total Receipts: \$ 790.55

Disbursements:

0.00

\$

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

\$ 790.55

Balance, Holy Land Pilgrimage Operating Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 6,623.03

Statement of Assets - Holy Land Pilgrimage Operating Fund

 Prime Advantage Act. #463996, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.30%
 (\$ 1,068.92)

 Business Investment Act. #30000211, Premier Bank-Jefferson City, 1.09%
 7,187.04

 CD #15626, Providence Bank – Jefferson City, 2.10%, Matures 5/1/11
 355.12

 CD #11067593620, UMB Bank-Jefferson City, 0.90%, Matures 6/24/11
 49.25

 CD #262734, Central Bank-Jefferson City, 1.00%, Matures 12/9/11
 16.62

 CD #342668, Hawthorn Bank-Jefferson City, 1.20%, Matures 2/17/12
 83.92

 Total Assets, Holy Land Pilgrimage Operating Fund, March 31, 2011
 35.12

\$ 6,623.03

#### GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF MISSOURI

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#### **CHARITY ENDOWMENT FUND**

Total Assets, June 1, 2010

\$ 4,719.78

Receipts: Miscellaneous Contributions \$80.00 Interest Earned 9.76

Total Receipts: \$ 89.76

Disbursements: \$ 0.00

Excess of Receipts over Disbursements

\$ 89.76

Balance, Charity Endowment Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 4,809.54

<u>Statement of Assets – Supply Fund</u>

Prime Advantage Account, Jefferson Bank-Jefferson City, 0.30% \$ 4,809.54

Total Assets, Supply Fund, March 31, 2011

\$ 4,809.54

Total Assets, All Funds, March 31, 2010

\$ 560,739.02

Fraternally submitted,

Donald L. Trabue, PGC

**Grand Treasurer** 

#### PRELIMINARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

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Short-term rates at this time are more favorable and allow greater flexibility to move moneys to better performing accounts whenever possible. The year began with low rates, with them drifting even lower during the year. Hopefully, as the economy improves, these short tern investments can once again be invested at more reasonable rates of return.

Fraternally submitted,

James E. Snavely, PGC

Daniel R. Quesenberry, DGC

Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Chairman

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#### **Living Past Grand Commanders**

William R. Robbins	1964-1965
Blair C. Mayford	
Robert D. Jenkins	
Robert G. Bird	
Donald L. Hiatte	
Jerry F. Ward	1990-1991
Ronald D. Tarr	
Donald L. Trabue	1994-1995
E. Allen Kohler	
Billy J. Boyer	
Vern H. Schneider	1996
Ronald E. Wood, Jr.	
Harold J. Richardson	
Lionel J. Goede	
Rocky E. Weaver	
William S. Hall	
Thomas C. Yunick	
Nicholas F. Steinmetz	
James E. Snavely	
Kevin B. Sample	
Marvin W. Frost	2006-2007
Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.	
James Joseph Hayes	
Ronnie E. Green	

#### Report of Committee on Honor Commandery Award

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights, your Honor Commandery Award Committee extends its congratulations to the following Commanders and Commanderies for earning the Honor Commandery Award. We salute your efforts and challenge you to continue these high standards for your Commanderies.

#### 2010 -- 2011 Templar Year:

L. LeRoy Salmon	Hugh De Payens Commandery #4
Dennis L. Hammock	Ivanhoe Commandery #8
Ronald L. Skiles	St. Graal Commandery #12
John S. Lambros	Palestine Commandery #17
Paul G. Kingsley	St. John's Commandery #20
Charles E. Cooper	Ely Commandery #22
Timothy R. Lehnhoff	Rolla Commandery #59
Paul M. Peterman	East Gate Commandery #70

#### **2009 - 2010 Templar Year:**

William G. Snyder Palestine Commandery #17

Forrest G. Lowe	East Gate #70
2008 -2009 Templar Year:	
Ralph L. Davis	Rolla Commandery #59

Fraternally Submitted,

Daniel R. Quesenberry, Chairman

Richard L. Mansfield James L. Woodfin, Jr.

### **Report of the Committee on the Annual Conclave**

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

As I made a search of the Official Proceedings for 2007, 2008, 2009, I found no report as to how this committee or the Grand Captain General was to carry out the duty of this committee, I called upon the R E Grand Commander, Russell Hanson for his advice and received information on the items of which the Grand Captain General is responsible and for verifying that the physical location where the Grand Conclave will be reconvened for the annual meeting.

I verify the Truman Room in the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City, Missouri is scheduled for the opening of the One Hundred and Fiftieth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri on Friday, May 20, 2011.

Before the opening I will check that the room is properly arranged. I was supplied a list of the paraphernalia required, by the Grand Commander. I wish to thank the Grand Commander, Russell Hanson, the Grand Recorder, Fred Troxel, the Grand Treasurer, Donald Trabue, and the Grand Senior Warden, Harold Coots for their assistance in bringing the paraphernalia to the Capitol Plaza Hotel.

In the 2008 proceedings, Russell Hanson suggested a list be made of the paraphernalia required and a description of its proper placement in the room or a diagram showing same. I do not know of or am aware of such a list or diagram, but will try to get one made up for future Grand Captain Generals to use.

Respectfully submitted;

Jim Woodfin, Grand Captain General

#### **Report of Committee on Regional York Rite Conferences**

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Conference Dates and Locations:

Region 1 -- No Conference Held

Region 2 -- January 8, 2011, St. Joseph

Region 3 -- October 9, 2010, Liberty

Region 4 -- December 4, 2011, Montgomery City

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Region 5 -- September 18, 2010, St. Louis Region 6 -- October 23, 2010, Farmington Region 7 -- March 5, 2011, Springfield

These conferences are learning tools for our members, officers, leaders, and future leaders. However, this year several of the conferences were lapsing back into the old routine of charities, awards, a little education, a little membership, a little Grand Session, and a few comments. What happened to the leadership training, membership initiatives, extensive education, and financial management? Our companions and Sir Knights will not be encouraged, motivated, or given direction by this kind of conference! Maybe I'm wrong, maybe this is the type conference we need. However, it is time again to reconsider and reevaluate our York Rite Conferences and their usefulness.

Fraternally Submitted, Daniel R. Quesenberry, Chairman

#### **Report of Hospitaler Committee**

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

Sir Knights, the following Commanderies reported a special Christmas Observance:

Hugh De Payens Commandery #4	St. John's Commandery #20
Ivanhoe Commandery #8	Ely Commandery #2
St. Graal Commandery #12	Crusade Commandery #23
O'Sullivan Commandery #15	Constantine Commandery #27
Ascalon Commandery #16	Lebanon Commandery #33
Palestine Commandery #17	East Gate Commandery #70

The following Commanderies reported a special EASTER observance:

Hugh De Payens Commandery #4	Palestine Commandery #17
Ivanhoe Commandery #8	St. John's Commandery #20
St. Graal Commandery #12	Ely Commandery #22
Ascalon Commandery #16	East Gate Commandery #70

We congratulate these Commanderies and encourage all to follow suit.

Fraternally Submitted, Daniel R. Quesenberry, Chairman

Richard Mansfield James L. Woodfin, Jr.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENDOWED MEMBERSHIP

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri:

The Grand Commandery Endowed Membership Fund has a total membership of 175 with a total endowed value of \$87,944.45. It had a 2010 distribution value of \$2,027.72 to the Grand Commandery and 23 Commanderies.

Investments are in a combination of interest bearing money market accounts and Certificates of Deposit. Current interest rates have limited these monies from being invested in long-term certificates.

Short-term rates at this time are more favorable and allow greater flexibility to move moneys to better performing accounts whenever possible. The current economy has necessitated that funds be invested at much lower than desired rates of return. As the economy improves these short tern investments can once again be invested at more reasonable rates of return, thusly enhancing the distribution values.

#### Fraternally submitted,

Kevin B. Sample, HPGC Donald L. Trabue, PGC Harold J. Richardson, PGC, Chairman

#### **Grand Commandery Representatives**

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Grand Communacty Representatives		Grana Commanae	Ty Representatives
Jurisdiction	To Missouri	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	To Missouri
Alabama	Frank R. von Geyso	Nebraska	Frederick H. Neal
	Jerry F. Ward	Nevada	Jeffrey A. Keevil
Arkansas	Jose' R. Palacios	New Hampshire	J. Joseph Hayes
California	Russell S. Hanson	New Jersey	Blair C. Mayford
Colorado	P. Vincent Kinkead	New Mexico	William S. Hall
Connecticut	Ralph S. Cantrell, Jr.	New York	Harry C. Reed, Jr.
Delaware	James G. Wade	North Carolina	Ronnie E. Green
District of Columbia	Stanton T. Brown	North Dakota	James M. Williams
Florida	Harold F. Coots	Ohio	Emory J. Hampel
	Brian J. Densmore	Oklahoma	Lionel J. Goede
Idaho	Larry D. Wyatt	Oregon	Larry T. Odom
Illinois	Nicholas F. Steinmetz		Billy J. Boyer
Indiana	James E. Snavely	Philippines	Charles W. Carlstrom
Iowa	Rocky E. Weaver	Portugal	William J. Bowser
Italy	Francis A. Latragna	South Carolina	Ronald E. Wood, Jr.
Kansas	Bob L. Detherow		Robert H. Bray
Kentucky	Robert G. Bird	Tennessee	Kevin B. Sample
	Harold J. Richardson		LeRoy D. Unruh
Maine	Richard L. Mansfield	Utah	Kevin E. Weaver
	James L. Woodfin, Jr.	Vermont	Paul R. Cannon
	sland William R. Robbins	Virginia	Donald L. Trabue
	Marion W. Dey	Washington	Teddie E. Harrison
	Thomas C. Yunick	West Virginia	Robert W. Schlichter
	Marvin W. Frost	Wisconsin	Clyde F. Bondy
Montana	Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.	Wyoming	Mark S. Schroer

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#### **Golf Tournament**

This year's Golf Tournament was not held due to the cost to those participating. If we desired to play, we needed to come down on Monday, and stay through Saturday. While the tournament represents a good cause, we feel that it can be held later in the summer, probably at the same locale and improve participation and have more positive results.

We will be advising you of the date and time when the Golf Tournament will be held.

Ron Wood and Jim Snavely

#### **Holy Land Pilgrimage**

This is the first year in a long time that we didn't have a candidate for the trip to the Holy Land. It is our hope to have someone for next year's trip

To recommend a minister for this trip all that is needed is for you to ask for a form. A minister must have at least 10 years of ministry left before his retires, and he must be a pastor actively serving a church.

Ron Wood, Jr.

#### **GRAND YORK RITE AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT 2011**

The joint committee on Grand York Rite Audit met with the Grand Secretary/Recorder and Grand Treasurer on February 26, 2011. Time constraints severely limited this review as it did notification to all of the members. On a positive note, no discrepancies were noted and further review will rely upon the annual reports of the Grand Secretary/Recorder and Grand Treasurer.

We were pleased to have with us Right Excellent Companion Steven C. Monrotus who provided a detailed report of the Grand Chapter fund raising effort.

Nevertheless, we are still bothered by the lack of a resolution for the storage issue. Likewise, the committee is still experiencing some confusion as to figures that appear in parenthesis under some line items. Generally speaking, figures in parenthesis represent negatives as would appear in the bottom line indicating that the particular line item had exceeded that which had been appropriated for the line item in the approved budget. In this case however, the figures in parenthesis have the totally different connotation that a negative charge has been assessed against that particular line item and not that the particular line item has exceeded appropriated funds.

The Joint Committee highly suggests an in depth review of its 2010 report by all incoming line officers especially the suggestions and recommendations.

Grand Chapter	Grand Council	<b>Grand Commandery</b>
Robert W. Schlichter	Robert W. Schlichter	Harold J. Richardson
Russell S. Hanson	Russell S. Hanson	Daniel R. Quesenberry
C.C. McLemore	Terry R. Struse	Larry T. Odom
Steven C. Monrotus	James G. Haddox	James S. Snavely
Claude M. Eckert	George M. Merkle	Harold L. Coots

Donald L. Trabue Donald L. Trabue Donald L. Trabue Frederick A. Troxel Frederick A. Troxel Frederick A. Troxel John E. Schofield William C. Woolsey Robert W. Schlichter David C. Witte James G. Haddox Roy L. Gilkey Roy N. Thomas William G. Snyder Loren D. Lloyd Todd A. Schulze John W. Siscel Larry W. Beck

Ronald L. Barrett

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Fraternally submitted,

James E. Snavely, PGC Daniel R. Quesenberry, DGC Donald L. Trabue, PGC, Chairman

#### York Rite Masonic Youth Luncheon

Saturday, March 26, 2011 Masonic York Rite Temple Springfield, MO

A report on the York Rite Masonic Youth Event held in Springfield on March 26, 2011. The attendance was 77. After prayer, we enjoyed a chicken dinner luncheon prepared by the members of the Social Order of the Beauceant.

Members and officers of Springfield Chapter No. 15, RAM, Zabud Council No. 25, R&SM and St. John's Commandery No. 20, KT were present and represented by Companion and Sir Knight Paul Kingsley, he is the presiding officer of all three York Rite Bodies represented. Companion and Sir Knight Paul Kingsley presented a monetary gift to each of the local youth groups from the Southside York Rite Bodies.

The program began at 1:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Master of Ceremonies was MIC Bob L. Detherow, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Missouri and currently a Regional Grand Commander of Region 7 of

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the Grand Commandery of Missouri and Deputy Supreme Royal Patron of the Supreme Council, Inc., Order of the Amaranth. Dad Detherow, past Chapter Dad of Farnsworth Chapter gave comments about the reason for recognizing and supporting the Youth Groups and introduced the speakers.

#### Members of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls:

Vickie Bates, Grand Deputy and Membership Chairman for Rainbow and Amanda Bates, Grand Deputy arranged for the members of Republic Assembly No. 92, Republic, Mo., Faith Assembly No. 107, Sarcoxie, Mo. and Friendship Assembly No. 15, Ozark, Mo., to speak about several activities and lessons taught in Rainbow. Approximately 12 members of the Rainbow, including Mother Advisors and Worthy Advisors of the Assemblies gave comments. The Pledge group was represented by two young ladies, one was age 5. It was well received. Brianna Sisco, a member of Republic Assembly No. 84 and Grand Charity of the Grand Assembly of Rainbow for Girls spoke on Rainbow and moderated the Rainbow program with several of the Rainbow Girls speaking on various aspects of Rainbow. It was a well presented program.

#### Members of the International Order of Job's Daughters:

Kim Underwood, Past Honored Queen, Past Grand Bethel Honored Queen and Vice Grand Guardian of Missouri, Job's Daughters International presented the program for the Job's Daughters. She was assisted by Brianna Hall, Past Honored Queen, Past Jr. Miss Missouri and Rebecca Hairer, Past Honored Queen. Kim gave information from a power point presentation which encompassed all aspects of Job's Daughters and spoke on her personal involvement with Job's. She spoke about Bethel No. 8 reopening in Springfield. Bethel No. 8 was active in the 1930's and will be reopening soon. She is a graduate of Drury College here in Springfield and will soon be the Grand Guardian of Missouri, Job's Daughters International. Brianna Hall, Past Honored Queen and Rebecca Hairer, Past Honored Queen both spoke and wore the Grecian Robe and Cape of the Job's Daughters. Kim is an accomplished leader and represented Job's Daughters and their program very well.

#### Members of the International Order of DeMolay:

Dad Bret Akers, Executive Director of Missouri DeMolay spoke about DeMolay and what it represents for young men. Dad Akers was accompanied by Dad Ed Culver from Wm F Kuhn DeMolay, Tom Shannon, PMC, and Ryan Weber, of Kirkwood DeMolay. Dad John Jenanian, Chapter Dad of the new DeMolay Chapter, Knights of Seven in Sparta, Mo. spoke about the new chapter and their programs. He was accompanied by Tyler Stodden, Master Councilor of the Knights of Seven and other DeMolay from his Chapter. Dad Bret Akers gave excellent comments about his experiences with DeMolay and then introduced Miss Evalyne McInnish, Missouri DeMolay State Sweetheart.

The Missouri DeMolay State Sweetheart, Miss Evalyne McInnish, Friendship Assembly No. 15, Grand Fidelity of the Grand Assembly of Rainbow for Girls, spoke about DeMolay and her experience with DeMolay and Job's Daughters working together. It is apparent why she was chosen the DeMolay State Sweetheart as she presented herself with dignity and represented Missouri DeMolay superbly.

At the completion of the presentations made by the representatives of the orders, the floor was opened for questions and answers. Several questions were asked and

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answered by the leaders from each group and a signup sheet was made available for all who would be interested in working with the youth groups.

Several adults signed up to work with Bethel No. 8, Job's Daughters, which will be reopening in Springfield this year, and five petitions were turned in by girls for membership in Bethel No. 8 and several petitions were taken to be completed later. Several adults signed up to work as advisors with Farnsworth DeMolay Chapter to help it reopen in Springfield. A commitment was made by several adults to work with all three youth groups, including the new Bethel No. 8, Knights of Seven DeMolay Chapter and Farnsworth DeMolay Chapter to help them be successful.

It was a rewarding and successful meeting and the comments and results were positive. The meeting was closed in Prayer.

Since the meeting, I have had several inquiries from different areas of southwest Missouri concerning all three youth groups and I will send the information to the proper people for action.

Fraternally,

Dad Bob L. Detherow

Grand Commanders Address

at the 150 Annual Conclave

Grand Commandery

Anights Templar

of the

State of Missouri



Held At The Capitol Plaza Hotel Jefferson CCity, Missouri May 20, 2011

#### **Address of the Grand Commander - 2011**

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri, Distinguished Visitors, Sir Knights, Ladies, and Guests:

I bid you a warm welcome to this sesquicentennial Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. The first Grand Conclave was convened on May 23, 1860, one day after the Grand Commandery of Missouri was officially formed and chartered. With the exception of 1862 and on account of the Civil War, the Grand Commandery of Missouri has held a Grand Conclave annually for 150 years. It is in deed a great honor to preside over this significant benchmark in our Fraternity's illustrious history.

#### **Appreciation:**

First and foremost, with all my love I thank my wife, Lady Debbie, for all of her help, aid, assistance, and support this year. She has traveled with me all over the State. She has heard my Regional Conclave presentations six of the seven times and almost stayed awake through every one. She has helped me to prepare communications and documents. She has corrected my grammar and caught most of my misspelled words, yes, a couple got by both of us. She has been a sounding board for my ideas and, as far as I know, has never told anyone about the really bad ones. Debbie, thank you.

Next, and with deepest appreciation, I thank the Grand Commandery Line Officers. They listened to my ideas, helped to develop them into programs, and trusted me when I said, "trust me, it will work." They attended meetings; they worked in their assigned Regions; they worked in their home Regions; and they worked in as many Commanderies as they could find time to help. They exceeded my expectations for the reinstitution of the Regional Officer program. They embraced their responsibilities and the chance to exercise their leadership abilities with minimal interference. I tried to be an understanding tyrant and beat them infrequently and only when they really had it coming. That is to say, I had a lot of fun with them this year and I enjoyed the camaraderie of their company.

Two Grand Officers, though not line Officers, provide special services to the Grand Commandery and no amount of thanks can adequately express my appreciation for what they do for the Grand Commandery. Sir Knight Troxel and Sir Knight Trabue, it has been an honor to work with both of you this year. Thank you.

I also thank the many other non-line Grand Officers for their help, aid, and assistance. While most of you only got to do something here at the end of the year. I appreciate your willingness to accept appointments in the Grand Commandery.

While I appointed the Sir Knights who served as Regional Grand Commanders, they did not interact with me directly, but assisted the Regional Officers with their duties in their assigned Regions. However, I worked with many of them during the Regional Conclaves and on other occasions. Sir Knights thank you for a job well done.

#### **Address of the Grand Commander - 2011**

The Grand Commandery could not function without our Committees. Those Committees require Sir Knights to volunteer to chair them and to serve on them. They are rarely in the spotlight, they are often relegated to the back room, and they work tirelessly to make sure that the infrastructure of our Order is strong and well maintained. Sir Knights thank you for your steadfast commitment and dedication.

I also owe a special thank you to all of the Missouri Sir Knights. Without them we would not have Missouri Templary. Without them Missouri would not have Commanderies and there would be no Grand Commandery in Missouri. Thank you, Sir Knights.

And, last, but by no means least, I thank the Past Grand Commanders for their wisdom, their guidance, their support, and their affection during this year. I became a Knight Templar when Sir Knight Trabue was Grand Commander. I began paying attention to the Grand Commandery when Sir Knight Richardson was Grand Commander. I began working in the Grand Commandery when Sir Knight Hudson appointed me a Regional Grand Commander. When I was elected Grand Warder, Sir Knight Hall stripped the jewelry from his uniform and gave it to me. I am honored that Sir Knight Yunick considers me his Templar son as I consider him my Templar father. I enjoyed serving with and learning from Sir Knight Steinmetz, Sir Knight Snavely, Sir Knight Frost, Sir Knight Troxel, Sir Knight Hayes, and my buddy, Sir Knight Green. I have relied on them as examples of leadership, fellowship, and fraternity. Thank you all and I hope that I have earned the honor of joining the ranks of the Past Grand Commanders.

#### **Necrology:**

Death terminates the labor of a man. The fact of our mortality can be delayed, but not avoided. Eventually our bodies will return to the Earth that gave us physical substance. God gave us our spiritual life and to God our spirits will return washed clean by the Sacrifice of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. With this light of faith shining upon us we will not despair though we each die alone for we know that the warm embrace of the Blessed Emmanuel and our departed loved ones awaits us just inside the gate.

Memorial Service By Rev. and SK Kevin E. Weaver, Grand Prelate

#### **State of Missouri Templary:**

It's all broken. The Commanderies are broken. They lack leadership. They can't survive. The Grand Commandery is broken. It lacks vision. It won't survive. We should turn in our charters, wipe the slate clean, and try again in a few years. Maybe Templary will return to Missouri some day. This is an epitaph that we all fear.

Or how about a future history that describes how Missouri Templary survived as its Commanderies consolidated until reduced to five Regional Commanderies. However, the

story ends with the eventual disappearance of Templary from Missouri. This is the eventuality that has been predicted.

What forces are acting to prevent our survival? Who is blocking our path to success? Where is the enemy that challenges our existence? When will they show themselves that we may finally confront them, give them honorable battle, vanquish them with mercy, and triumphantly establish our place forever in the hallowed halls of Missouri Freemasonry.

Sir Knights, we confront those forces at every conclave. We stare face to face with the enemy every time we look in a mirror. Internal strife weakens us. Failure to build consensus or to recognize the benefit of compromise pits us against ourselves destroying us from within. Sir Knights, we have met the enemy and it is us. However, we are also the solution.

Each Commandery has a unique character or personality because of the collection of Sir Knights who make it live and breathe - a collection of individuals who work as one in the common cause of Christian Fraternity. The power to determine the future of Missouri Templary rests with each and every Missouri Knight living at this time right now. However, we must all work together if we are to survive, if we are to succeed, if we are to build a future for Missouri Templary. Let's make it happen together!

#### **Grand Commandery Programs:**

Regional Officers and Regional Grand Commanders:

One of the major programs that the Grand Commandery undertook during the 2010-2011 Missouri Templar year was to reinstitute the assignment of Grand Officers to the Regions. The seven Grand Officers from Grand Warder to Grand Generalissimo were assigned to the seven Regions from Region 7 in the southwest corner of the State to Region 1 in the northeast corner of the State. This established a progression that will move the Sir Knights elected to the Grand Commandery advancing line from Region to Region each year. A Sir Knight entering the advancing line as Grand Warder and starting in Region 7 will have an opportunity to work with every Commandery in every Region during his progression to Grand Generalissimo. It is our hope that this will better prepare him for his year assisting the Grand Commander as the Deputy Grand Commander as well as his year as Grand Commander.

Another of the changes that were made this year was to realign the duties of the Regional Grand Commanders back to the language of the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery. Article XX, Section 221, describes both the assignment of Grand Officers as Regional Officers and the establishment of a corps of non-line Officers to assist them with their duties. Those assistants were to be called Regional Grand Commanders. As this article is silent on both the qualifications of a Regional Grand Commander and the number of Regional Grand Commanders, it was determined that any Sir Knight willing to do the work was eligible for the post. This first year we retained all of the RGCs from the

previous year plus added several RGCs to certain Regions in order to establish a ratio of no more than 3 Commanderies per RGC.

2010-2011 Regional Officers

Region 1: 5, 7, 22, 72 - Grand Generalissimo
Richard L. Mansfield (22) - Regional Officer
Jeremy A. Lloyd (22) - Regional Grand Commander
Loren D. Lloyd (22) - Regional Grand Commander

Region 2: 2, 4, 24, 32, 42 - Grand Captain General James L. Woodfin, Jr. (56) - Regional Officer Nathan D. Carrington (4) - Regional Grand Commander Vacant - Regional Grand Commander

Region 3: 3, 6, 10, 11, 17, 35, 68, 70 - Grand Senior Warden
Harold F. Coots (29) - Regional Officer
Dennis A. Abernathy (35) - Regional Grand Commander
William E. Criss (11) - Regional Grand Commander
Aaron M. Shoemaker (70) - Regional Grand Commander

Region 4: 12, 23, 29, 59 - Grand Junior Warden Larry T. Odom (24, 4) - Regional Officer David E. Foldesh (29) - Regional Grand Commander Jeffrey A. Keevil (12) - Regional Grand Commander

Region 5: 8, 16 - Grand Standard Bearer Robert W. Schlichter (6) - Regional Officer Roger D. Fleer (16) - Regional Grand Commander

Region 6: 55, 56, 67 - Grand Sword Bearer
K. Trent Moreland (8, 16) - Regional Officer
David L. Leirer (56) - Regional Grand Commander

Region 7: 15, 20, 27, 31, 33, 39, 43, 57, 66 - Grand Warder
L. LeRoy Salmon (4) - Regional Officer
Bob L. Detherow (20) - Regional Grand Commander
C. Scott Houge (20) - Regional Grand Commander
Joseph P. Krill (33) - Regional Grand Commander
Gary A. Phillips (39) - Regional Grand Commander

Unfortunately, a second RGC candidate for Region 2 could not be identified so that Region's five Commanderies were covered by a single RGC. Also, it was decided that an additional RGC would be needed in Region 7 due to the large area that it encompasses.

## **Regional Conclaves:**

Yet another requirement in Article XX that was reinstituted was the concept of Regional Conclaves. The Regional Officers were required to work with their RGCs and the local Commanderies to identify a day in an assigned month as well as a location for the event.

## 2010-2011 Regional Conclave Schedule:

Region 1 - June 12, 2010

Kirksville Masonic Temple, Kirksville, MO

Attendance: 11

Commanderies In Region: 22, 72

Others: 12, 56

Region 2 - July 17, 2010

St. Joseph Masonic Center, St. Joseph, MO

Attendance: 10

Commanderies In Region: 4

Others: 12, 56

Region 3 - August 6, 2010

Buckner Masonic Lodge, Buckner, MO

Attendance: 20

Commanderies In Region: 3, 10, 17, 35, 68, 70

Others: 12, 29

Region 4 - September 25, 2010

Jefferson City Masonic Temple, Jefferson City, MO

Attendance: 14

Commanderies In Region: 12, 23, 29, 59

Others: 16, 24

Region 5 - October 2, 2010

New Masonic Temple, St. Louis, MO

Attendance: 18

Commanderies In Region: 8, 16

Others: 6, 12, 56, #1(PHA)

Region 6 - November 6, 2010

Farmington Masonic Center, Farmington, MO

Attendance: 15

Commanderies In Region: 56, 67

Others: 8, 12

Region 7 - December 18, 2010

Masonic York Rite Temple, Springfield, MO

Attendance: 19

Commanderies In Region: 15, 20, 27, 31, 33, 39, 43

Others: 4, 12

While the Regional Conclaves were lightly attended when compared to the number of Sir Knights in each Region or even to the number of Commanderies in each Region (I had hoped that at least the Officers of each Commandery would attend), those Sir Knights who attended did so for reasons other than to punch out an item on an achievement award. As this was the first year of reinstituting the practice, I was happy that anyone attended.

The agenda for each Regional Conclave was uniform and relatively simple:

Welcome by Regional Officer or designee Pledge Prayer Introductions by Regional Officer or designee Introduction of the Grand Commander Presentations by the Grand Commander:

The Grand Commandery of Missouri - brief history of the formation of the Grand Commandery of Missouri including review of our Charter; review and discussion of the organizational structure of Templary in Missouri; and a brief survey concerning use of the services provided by the Grand Commandery

Of Members, Money, and Motivation - a discussion of membership retention, financial planning, rebooting inactive Commanderies, and getting the existing members excited again about being a Knights Templar

Recordkeeping for the 21st century - an introduction to the York Rite Information System (YRIS) for membership management (a recordkeeping system offered by the Grand Encampment for management of constituent/subordinate Chapter, Council, and Commandery records as well as management of the records at the corresponding Grand level) as well as a brief review of critical recordkeeping tasks

Lunch
Group discussion of the Drill Competition
Drill tactics workshop
Adjourn

As can be seen from the agenda, I did most of the talking. I enjoyed preparing the presentations and delivering them, though it is almost impossible to make recordkeeping

exciting unless you are really into it (like I am). I love the dynamic that rapidly develops with the "class" particularly when the "class" interacts and participates. It was a lot of fun and I believe that the attendees found the presentations both interesting and informative. As mentioned above I attempted to collect end user input concerning Grand Commandery services, however, the sample was really too small to be useful. The results were tabulated and I will pass them on to the 2011-2012 Grand Officers for evaluation.

## **Drill Competition:**

One Grand Commandery program that was given special attention during the year was the Drill Competition. As mentioned above, each Regional Conclave included a discussion of the Drill Competition event. We briefly discussed the history of the program and looked at the judging sheets used last year as well as a prototype judging/scoring system developed during the 2009-2010 Grand Commandery year. Copies of the tactical instructions for the Class B/Class C-Sword Salute and the Class C-Hand Salute were made available. Each Regional Conclave concluded with a workshop on the tactics.

After the first two Regional Conclaves, I noticed that similar issues were being raised during the Drill Competition discussion. During the Region 3 Regional Conclave, I floated the concept of holding a meeting in order for all of the Commanderies to come together at one time and discuss the Drill Competition program. Based on the positive comments provided by the Region 3 Commanderies, I decided to move forward with the idea.

During the September 2010 Grand Commandery Officers meeting, I introduced a preliminary plan for a Drill Competition Summit and Tactics Workshop to be held on either January 22, 2011 or January 29, 2011 in Columbia. I also met with the Drill Committee in September to discuss the concept and they agreed that the idea appeared to have merit. At that point I decided to green light the project. The January 29, 2011 Drill Competition Summit and Tactics Workshop were officially announced at the Region 4 Regional Conclave. News articles about the Summit and Workshop appeared in the Missouri Supplements of both the November 2010 and December 2010 issues of the Knight Templar magazine.

The Summit and Workshop concepts were developed and refined with the Grand Commandery Officers and the Drill Committee. The project was discussed during both the November 2010 and the January 2011 Grand Commandery Officer meetings. I worked closely with Sir Knight Kevin Sample, Drill Committee Chair, and Sir Knight Ronnie Green, Grand Drill Instructor, to polish the agendas for the Summit and the Workshop. I sincerely thank them for their support and guidance during the project.

The Summit and Workshop were held on January 29, 2011 as planned. In my opinion, both were definite successes and, in the opinions of the attendees, both were a major step in the right direction. Reports of the details can be found elsewhere in the proceedings.

## 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology:

The Grand Commandery Officers, particularly the Grand Senior Warden, have accused me of attempting to drag the Grand Commandery of Missouri into the 21<sup>st</sup> century possibly against its will (screaming and kicking, actually). To these accusations I have but one response - you bet! While this is the future, we do not have flying cars or many of the other technological advancements predicted in the magazines and books of the last century. However, we have available to us relatively inexpensive computer-based technologies that can and should be leveraged to solve some of the problems that we face today. This year I have focused on the use of four technologies: email communication, cloud storage, digital media, and electronic forms.

#### **Email Communication:**

Email has become the communication mode of choice for businesses as well as individuals. Email communications are a major element of our "just in time" culture. While I agree that "just in time" communications could lead to "wait to the last minute" planning, good planning is a leadership issue not a communication issue. With the price of postage, traditional paper mail delivery is expensive. The delivery time for the paper mail is measured in days while the delivery time for email is measured in seconds. While neither mode of communication guarantees delivery, we have more options for receiving feedback concerning both successfully delivered email messages as well as failed deliveries. However, neither mode of communication solves our most significant communication challenge - getting the recipient to actually read and understand our message.

This year I communicated with the Missouri Commanderies exclusively by email. Most of the time my correspondence was contained in the body of the email, though on several specific occasions I enclosed a "traditional" letter as a PDF file attachment. I utilized both direct email to individual Commanderies and bulk email on a Regional scale. While I tried very hard to send my emails to specific Officers, there were times when a "spamming" approach was necessary to better assure that my message would be received by anyone who might communicate it to the appropriate Officer. I also utilized the Regional Officers and Regional Grand Commanders to deliver emailed messages to Commanderies that are "off the grid." Overall, I was very satisfied with the willingness of the Missouri Sir Knights to embrace what is, by necessity, to become the Grand Commanderies preferred mode of communication.

#### Cloud Storage:

The "cloud" is more than just a 21<sup>st</sup> century buzzword. It is a major technological service industry. I am specifically referring to cloud storage (as opposed to cloud computing). Cloud storage services provide virtual hard drives for file storage (some also provide automatic synchronization of "folders" on multiple remote computers). Many cloud storage service providers have a low capacity "free" product that allows users to explore the technology.

At the beginning of the 2010-2011 Grand Commandery year, I was using the Dropio free cloud storage service to provide a download site for distribution of files to both the Commanderies (for example, the individual Commandery 2010 Drill Competition reports were distributed using downloadable files from one of my Drop sites) and the Grand Commandery Officers (one of my Drop sites was used for documents and reports). However, in October 2010 Dropio was sold to Facebook (Dropio users were given a couple of months to recover their files before the servers were shut down). At that point I researched the available cloud storage service providers. I selected Dropbox for my personal use and I selected Box for both personal use and Grand York Rite use.

The Box service provides a way to more dynamically manage the documents available to the Commanderies and Grand Commandery Officers. It is entirely web-based needing only an Internet browser for access. It provides "just in time" delivery of documents. Corrected, revised, and updated documents instantly replace those that they supersede. Access to the documents is controlled by creating folders for selected groups as well as using file level access rather than folder level access. In addition, email bandwidth demands can be reduced by simply providing a link to a single file or a folder of files rather than attaching the documents to the email. The Box service allows documents to be previewed in order to determine relevance prior to downloading. Finally, the Box service also provides a mobile device application that allows me to access the Box site directly (without using a browser).

The advantages of cloud storage services include automatic file versioning, automatic periodic snapshot backups, and backup archiving. There are also disadvantages that must be considered. The most significant is security. I do not consider the "free" Box service to have adequate security for truly confidential data (I treat it as no more secure than email). Also, as we have experienced, a service provider can go out of business. Fortunately, Dropio gave its users an opportunity to recover their data (I treat cloud storage as one place to put a file, but not the only place - as a rule I use multiple redundant backups as well as archival backups).

One other feature that the Box service provides is hit counting. I receive an email when someone previews or downloads a file (no user information, just that someone hit a certain file). Box also tracks how many times each file has been accessed. For example, within two minutes of sending out the email concerning the posting of the 2011 Drill Competition Drill Team Schedule the Grand Commandery of MO folder was hit. There were times when it was being hit so fast that all of the email notices had the same time stamp. As of May 8, 2011, the 2011 Drill Schedule file had accumulated a total of 61 link views. Granted that is nowhere near the millions of hits some web sites receive each day, but we only have 14 registered Drill Teams. The combination of email for communication and cloud storage for distribution provides the Grand Commandery with a powerful, flexible way to reach out and touch the Missouri Commanderies at a moment's notice.

Digital Media:

Digital media encompasses a wide variety of technologies that can be used for human expression as well as communication and education. Digital media is not a new concept for the Grand Commandery. The Grand York Rite proceedings have been available as PDF files on CD-ROM since 2003. One of the big changes since 2003 is the availability of electronic book readers such as the Apple iPad, the Barnes & Noble Nook, and the Amazon Kindle. Public acceptance of ebooks has been phenomenal - increasing almost exponentially since 2003.

I decided that it would be fun to experiment with the conversion of one of the Grand York Rite's paper books to an ebook format, so I chose to create an ePocket Directory. The Pocket Directory is an annually printed document that is used not only by the Grand Officers, but also by the Committees, the Chapters/Councils/Commanderies, and other Masonic organizations. It lists Grand York Rite information for the current year, includes a monthly calendar and an extensive address directory. Unfortunately, a printed document can quickly become impaired by the changes in the organization as well as the lives of the people listed in the document. Also, as more and more eyes look at the document, errors are detected.

I began with a study of ebook formats (there are several). And, of course, in order to establish a competitive edge, many of the formats are tied to specific hardware. However, my survey of the industry revealed that the ePub format appeared to be widely accepted as one of the most universal standards available (it was also the standard Apple had selected for its iBook reader). In reviewing the technical details of the standard, I realized it would be a significant task to create an ePub ebook from scratch. However, I soon discovered that I already had two excellent high-level tools that I was using regularly and that were capable of creating ePubs: Adobe InDesign CS5 (part of the Creative Suite) and Apple Pages (part of the iWork productivity suite).

In September 2010, I ran my first experiment using Pages. Starting with the Word file used to create the printed Pocket Directory (with the exception of the monthly calendar portion), in a single afternoon of work I produced a quick and dirty test ePub that passed validation testing. Playing with that test version I learned how to refine the product through the development of two consecutive alpha versions. I introduced the ePocket Directory (alpha) to the Grand Commandery Officers at the September 2010 Grand Officer meeting by demonstrating it on my iPod Touch, iPhone, and iPad. Many of the Grand Officers were very interested in the project (and wanted access to the file immediately). After that meeting, I worked with Sir Knight Troxel to incorporate content revisions that had been reported to the Grand York Rite Office. The first beta version of the ePocket Directory was posted to the Grand Commander folder (Grand Officers only) in December 2010 for testing. The beta version was revised to incorporate improvements and updated with content changes in March 2011 and April 2011. The last beta version for 2010-2011 was posted on May 11, 2011.

It is important to keep in mind that ebook file standards focus on content rather than formatted appearance (for example, italicized text is preserved in an ePub file, but the

font size can be changed by the end user). When I demonstrated the first ePocket Directory, several Officers commented on the huge number of pages it contained and how expensive it would be to print it. Ebooks are not designed for print media. They are designed specifically for viewing with a reader (application or device). Ebooks reflow and repaginate as the user changes the orientation of the device from portrait to landscape, changes the display type from one font to another, or changes the display font size from small to large or vice versa. Ebooks are all about the content. The PDF file standard, on the other hand, focuses on preserving the formatted appearance of a document rather than the content. That is why most PDF files cannot be accurately converted back into the word processing file from which they were originally produced. That is also why PDF files are not a good choice for ebooks. However, due to the widespread adoption of the format, most dedicated readers and mobile device reader applications can display PDF ebooks (a corresponding PDF version of each version of the ePocket Directory ePub was provided for beta testing).

The Grand Commandery cannot abandon the publication of printed materials. The printed Pocket Directory is fast and easy to use, but it is expensive to produce and becomes outdated quickly without manual correction. The ePocket Directory ebook essentially costs nothing and can be updated throughout the year, but it requires technology to access. Digital media, together with traditional print media, provides the Grand Commandery with choices that can more efficiently and more cost-effectively provide information resources to our consumers, the Missouri Sir Knights.

#### Electronic Forms:

The last technology that I want to discuss is not really new. The Grand Commandery has been using electronic forms since the last century. The Grand York Rite document library provides a number of forms in binary document file format (doc file) for use with a word processor such as Microsoft Word or Apple Pages as well as in PDF file format for use with PDF rendering software such as Adobe Reader or Apple Preview. Both formats have advantages and disadvantages. Doc files are relatively easy to use, but due to printer and font dependencies do not always produce printed documents that look the way that the designer intended. PDF forms are also relatively easy to use, but require a significant effort to properly design so the completed form can be saved with the entered data intact.

If one has Adobe Acrobat rather than just Adobe Reader, then any PDF that is not specifically restricted to prevent changes can be "typed on" with various tools and the PDF saved with the added text intact. However, while Adobe Reader is free, Adobe Acrobat is relatively expensive. The solution that I have been testing for a couple of years is the typewriter-enabled PDF file. A typewriter-enabled PDF can only be produced with Adobe Acrobat, but does not require the definition of form fields or use of highly problematic java script. The process consists of the following general steps: use a word processor to design a traditional "paper" form, print/save the form as a regular PDF file, load it into Adobe Acrobat, enable the "typewriter tool in Reader" feature, and save the file with a new name to preserve the original PDF (I indicate typewriter-enabled PDF files with a TW at the end of the file name).

With nothing more than the free Adobe Reader (at least version 8), the typewriter-enabled PDF file can be opened. With a click on the typewriter tool, text can be added to the PDF to fill out the form just like it was a piece of paper in a typewriter machine. Hopefully the user will type in the areas designated for input. However, just like with a typewriter machine, they can literally type characters anywhere on the PDF. The text boxes that are added by the typewriter tool can be selected, moved, aligned, and deleted. The text can also be edited. The PDF can be saved with the text intact. The saved PDF can be reopened for editing and more typing. The completed PDF can be printed like a regular PDF. The PDF can be emailed with the typing intact and printed at the destination.

We live in a unique era. The collective experiences of our members span the period from paper and pencil to computers. There was a time when using a typewriter machine was new fangled technology. Time and technology march forward. If we are dedicated to building a future for Missouri Templary, then we must be open to the advantages offered by the new technologies developing around us. Building a future also means that we need to be prepared to live in it.

## **Actions, Dispensations, and Decisions:**

#### Actions:

Effective June 1, 2010, under the authority granted to the Grand Commander by the Grand Commandery Laws and Regulations, Article XX, Instruction, Inspection, and Regional Activities, Section 220, I removed the lettered "Districts" from the seven Grand Commandery Regions.

Effective June 1, under the authority granted to the Grand Commander by the Grand Commandery Laws and Regulations, Article XX, Instruction, Inspection, and Regional Activities, Section 220, I moved the Western portion of the Regional boundary between Grand Commandery Regions 3 and 7 traversing the bottom of Cedar and Vernon Counties to traversing the top of those two Counties thereby moving O'Sullivan Commandery No. 15 from Region 3 to Region 7 (per their request).

Effective December 27, I issued an Order Healing Violations of the Laws and Regulations to Paschal Commandery No. 32, Chillicothe, Missouri. See Decisions, Paschal Commandery, below for details.

#### Dispensations:

On June 11, 2010, I granted a special dispensation to St. Graal Commandery No. 12, Columbia, Missouri, to move the location of their June 2010 regular stated conclave from the Twilight Lodge Building to the nearby Scottish Rite Temple in order to accommodate a Grand Lodge of Missouri event in the Twilight Lodge Building.

On October 11, 2010, I granted a special dispensation to East Gate Commandery No. 70, Kansas City, Missouri, to move the location of their November 2010 regular stated conclave from the East Gate Masonic Lodge to the Independence Masonic Temple in order to participate in a Table Commandery hosted by Palestine Commandery No. 17, Independence, Missouri.

On November 5, 2010, I granted a special dispensation to Oriental Commandery No. 35, Kansas City, Missouri, on an emergency basis, to hold a joint meeting with Orient Chapter No. 102 and Shekinah Council No. 24. See also Decisions, Oriental Commandery, below.

On December 1, 2010, I granted a special dispensation to Oriental Commandery No. 35, Kansas City, Missouri, to hold a joint meeting with Orient Chapter No. 102 and Shekinah Council No. 24. See also Decisions, Oriental Commandery, below.

On December 6, 2010, I granted a special dispensation to St. Graal Commandery No. 12, Columbia, Missouri, to move the location of their December 2010 regular stated conclave from the Twilight Lodge Building to the nearby Scottish Rite Temple for the purpose of holding their annual joint Table Commandery Christmas Observance with Crusade Commandery No. 23, Mexico, Missouri.

On December 6, 2010, I granted a special dispensation to Crusade Commandery No. 23, Mexico, Missouri, to reschedule their regularly stated conclave to December 10, 2010 and to move the location of their December 2010 regular stated conclave from the Burroughs Masonic Temple in Mexico to the Scottish Rite Temple in Columbia for the purpose of holding their annual joint Table Commandery Christmas Observance with St. Graal Commandery No. 12, Columbia, Missouri.

On December 27, 2010, I granted a special dispensation to Paschal Commandery No. 32, Chillicothe, Missouri, to reschedule the date of their January 2011 regular stated conclave from January 17, 2011 to January 31, 2011, for the purpose of holding a joint restructuring meeting with Lone Star Chapter No. 30 and Chillicothe Council No. 28. In addition, Paschal Commandery is authorized to elect and install officers for 2011 during the joint meeting. See also Decisions, Paschal Commandery, below. Note: This meeting was cancelled due to severe winter weather and rescheduled to February 21, 2011.

On February 21, 2011, I granted a special dispensation to Paschal Commandery No. 32, Chillicothe, Missouri, to hold a joint restructuring meeting with Lone Star Chapter No. 30 and Chillicothe Council No. 28. In addition, Paschal Commandery is authorized to elect and install officers for 2011 during the joint meeting. See also Decisions, Paschal Commandery, below.

Paschal Commandery:

On October 28, 2010, Sir Knight Fred Troxel, Grand Recorder, officially brought the situation with the Chillicothe York Rite bodies (Lone Star Chapter No. 30, Chillicothe Council No. 28, and Paschal Commandery No. 32) in Chillicothe, Missouri, to my attention (as one of a select group of Grand York Rite Grand Officers). Fred reported that he had received inquiries from the members of the Chillicothe York Rite bodies concerning the status of the Chapter, Council, and Commandery. I asked Sir Knight Jim Woodfin, Regional Officer for Region 2, to investigate the possibility of consolidation of Paschal with a nearby Commandery (either Godfrey De Bouillon No. 24, Trenton, Missouri, or Hugh De Payens No. 4, St. Joseph, Missouri). I also asked Sir Knight Brent Stewart, Templar Jurisprudence Chair, to begin working with his Committee on expedited consolidation procedures.

On October 29, I shared an email from my archives with the group. The email, dated April 25, 2010, had originally been sent by Sir Knight Robert Schlichter and concerned the situation of the Chillicothe York Rite bodies. It included an April 9, 2010 email from Companion and Sir Knight Mel Gregg, Secretary/Recorder, Lone Star Chapter No. 30, Chillicothe Council No. 28, and Paschal Commandery No. 32. Mel stated that the York Rite bodies had not been meeting, expressed the opinion that there was no interest in maintaining the York Rite bodies, and asked about the process of closing them. The April 25 email also outlined the procedures for consolidation.

On November 1, I shared a report from Sir Knight Woodfin with the group (plus Sir Knight Gregg). Jim had called Mel and discussed the situation in Chillicothe. Mel had told Jim very specifically that there was no interest in maintaining the York Rite bodies in Chillicothe. Jim said that he explained the standard consolidation procedures as well as the procedure for voluntarily surrendering their charter. Jim also reported that Mel informed him that the Lodge Building was actually owed by the Chillicothe Council Temple Board. I also shared an email exchange with Sir Knight Brent Stewart with the group (plus Mel) in which I proposed a way to rescue the membership. I also appealed to Mel to contribute to the discussion and to help us accomplish the rescue operation. In his reply, Brent asked if there was a way to compile a list of members and send them a letter. Fred responded with a spreadsheet containing membership information for all three bodies.

On November 18, the group received an email from Sir Knight Troxel concerning a special meeting of Lone Star scheduled for November 29, 2010 for the purpose of discussing whether they would continue or consolidate. He also attached a document file containing a draft letter. Fred suggested that the meeting be expanded to include all three York Rite bodies in Chillicothe; that the draft letter originally authorized by MEC McLemore, GHP, be repurposed to include all three bodies; and that the repurposed letter be sent to the combined membership of the three bodies.

On November 19, the group received an email from Sir Knight Troxel confirming that the redrafted notice had been sent to the membership of the Chillicothe York Rite bodies announcing the November 29, 2010 special meeting to begin at 7:30 pm in the Chillicothe Lodge building.

On November 22, I confirmed that I would attend the meeting and I asked for a copy of the letter that had been sent so I could share it with the Grand Commandery Grand Officers with a request that they attend if at all possible. Sir Knight Woodfin and I exchanged emails concerning attendance.

On November 29, Sir Knight Schlichter and I attended the special meeting of the Chillicothe York Rite bodies. Robert ended up officially representing MEC McLemore. MIC Jim Haddox and Sir Knight Troxel also attended. Sir Knight Gregg was there together with a couple of other members of the Chillicothe York Rite. While initially, Mel reiterated that there was no interest in maintaining the York Rite bodies in Chillicothe, after a candid open discussion of the procedure of immediately arresting a charter between Robert and I, Mel commented that some of the members had asked about paying dues and getting dues cards. This admission of interest then lead to a much more productive discussion of how to save the Chillicothe York Rite bodies. Robert, Jim, and I strongly suggested that Mel send out dues notices, collect dues for 2011, and organize a follow up meeting for January 31, 2011. We suggested that the Chillicothe York Rite members be prepared to make the final decision as to whether or not they intended to continue or consolidate. In order to encourage their recovery, we agreed on behalf of our respective Grand York Rite bodies to forgive and heal the respective Chillicothe York Rite bodies of all violations of the respective governing laws for the years 2007 through 2010 including relieving them of the burden of all unpaid per capita. Mel and the members present were very surprised as well as actually excited by the prospect of being allowed to start rebuilding with a clean slate.

On December 7, I sent the draft healing order and draft special dispensation letter to Sir Knight Stewart as well as the group.

On December 27, I sent the order officially healing Paschal Commandery No. 32 of the following violations of the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Missouri: failure to mail out dues notices to the membership, failure to collect dues and per capita in the years they were due, failure to file an annual return with the Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery, and failure to have a representative of the Commandery at the several annual communications of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. The order covered the years 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010. I also sent a special dispensation authorizing the joint meeting scheduled for January 31, 2011.

On January 31, 2011, using a combination of phone calls and emails, Sir Knight Schlichter, Sir Knight Gregg, MIC Haddox, and I decided to cancel the special meeting originally scheduled for that evening in Chillicothe due to severe winter weather. The special meeting was rescheduled to February 21, 2011.

On February 21, I prepared a revised special dispensation for the rescheduled joint meeting to be held in Chillicothe that evening (Finally remembered to email a copy to Brent, Fred, and Mel on March 23). Sir Knight Schlichter (representing MEC McLemore), MIC Haddox, Sir Knight Troxel, and I attended the joint meeting. We were

very pleased that over a dozen members of the Chillicothe York Rite bodies, as well as visitors from nearby York Rite bodies, attended the meeting. Companion and Sir Knight Mel Gregg, Secretary/Recorder, reported on the progress made to communicate with the membership, collect dues, and issue dues cards. The members of Paschal Commandery volunteered to take offices and I installed them into their respective offices. I am pleased to report that the status of Paschal Commandery No. 32 can be changed from inactive to active. They will need the assistance of the nearby Commanderies as well as occasional attention from their Regional Officers in order to enable them to return to full vitality.

## Oriental Commandery:

On November 5, 2010, I granted a special dispensation to Oriental Commandery No. 35, Kansas City, Missouri, to hold a combined/joint meeting with Orient Chapter No. 102 and Shekinah Council No. 24, that evening and in the location of their regular stated conclave. The reason for a meeting of this nature was not explained in the request made through Sir Knight Fred Troxel, Grand Recorder, and the request came to me only a few hours prior to the meeting so there was no time to consult with anyone. However, trusting that the event was both necessary and critical the special dispensation was granted on an emergency basis. In addition, I requested that a full explanation be forwarded to me as soon as possible.

On November 10, Sir Knight Troxel forwarded an email to me and the three jurisprudence committee chairs from Companion and Sir Knight Don Huggins, Commander, concerning Orient Chapter, Shekinah Council, and Oriental Commandery. Don explained that they were trying to save their York Rite bodies and needed to temporarily hold combined/joint meetings in order to bring attendance up to a point where the three bodies could actually function. However, he requested a special dispensation be granted retroactively for the meetings held in September 2010 and October 2010 as well as every meeting from December 2010 through September 2011.

On November 11, I received an email from Sir Knight Brent Stewart, Templar Jurisprudence Chair, expressing general support for their efforts. I replied that I had a concern with the concept of a retroactive special dispensation for events that had already occurred. It was my understanding that I would need to heal the meetings that have occurred, if any, from June 2010 through October 2010. I also voiced my support for their efforts to save their York Rite bodies and had no problem with issuing them special dispensations for their future meetings. However, I expressed the concern that I could only legally address meetings through May 2011 (since they will meet prior to my exit from the office of REGC). They will need to approach Sir Knight Dan Quesenberry concerning special dispensations for the meetings from June 2011 through September 2011.

On November 16, Sir Knight Stewart forwarded my email to his Committee. Brent forwarded comments and opinions from the committee to me. It was the general opinion that my understanding was, in general, correct. However, I did not feel comfortable moving forward on the matter at that time.

On November 17, I received an email from Sir Knight Stewart summarizing the comments and opinions he had received back from the Committee. He concurred with my assessment that I could not issue dispensations beyond May 2011. It was his opinion that it would be fine to issue a long-term dispensation for the period from November 2010 to the end of my term, if that was how I wanted to handle the situation. He concluded that it was not, in his opinion, critical to "heal" the June 2010 to October 2010 meetings unless someone complained. I replied that I would draft a letter and run it by him.

On November 30, I replied to an email from Sir Knight Troxel that included a forwarded November 30 email from Sir Knight Huggins. Both Fred and Don were asking about the long-term dispensation request. I replied that I was still considering the original request for a long-term dispensation. I also thanked Don for the information in his November 10 email concerning the preparation of by-laws amendments. I informed Don that I would issue a special dispensation for the December 3, 2010 meeting.

On December 1, I sent Sir Knight Huggins an email with an attached file containing a letter granting special dispensation to hold a joint meeting with Orient Chapter and Shekinah Council. I clearly stated that Oriental was to continue requesting special dispensations for each meeting. I also commented that I was looking forward to seeing the by-laws amendment that would eliminate the need for the special dispensations. I received a reply back from Don indicating that the Commandery by-laws had already been revised and approved by the membership a couple of months previous. He promised to send me a copy.

On March 25, 2011, I sent an email to Sir Knight Huggins following up on his December 1 email reply concerning the Commandery's by-laws. Don replied back that the Commandery revised by-laws had been presented and approved by the membership. However, Sir Knight Dennis Abernathy was in the process of editing the by-laws document when he experienced computer problems followed by both personal and family health issues. Don promised to follow up with Sir Knight Glen Bray, his successor as Commander, and Sir Knight Gary Frost, Recorder.

On March 26, I received an email from Sir Knight Bray indicating that future questions concerning the Commandery should be directed to him as the new Commander.

I consider this issue pending and must leave it to the next Grand Commander for resolution.

## Westport Commandery:

On November 11, 2010, I received an email from Sir Knight Roy Thomas, Recorder, concerning the relocation of Westport Commandery No. 68, Grandview, Missouri, to a new permanent meeting place. The membership had been notified of the proposal to relocate the Commandery to Jewel Lodge, Pleasant Hill, Missouri. However, after that notification was sent, Jewel Lodge withdrew its acceptance due to concerns raised by

Wyoming Chapter No. 43 that also meets in the building. Westport then arranged to relocate to Swope Park Lodge, Kansas City, Missouri. Roy asked if the membership had to be notified about the change. I forwarded Roy's original email to Sir Knight Brent Stewart, Templar Jurisprudence Chair, together with my draft decision. It was my assessment that no, he did not need to notify the membership concerning the change in the location to which they were moving since the membership had already been notified that the Commandery would be moving and, except for the Sir Knights who attended the regular stated conclave, gave their approval to move to a new building by not speaking against the issue. The big decision to move had been decided. The Sir Knights who attended the regular stated conclave just needed to vote on whether or not they agreed to accept the offer from Swope Park.

On November 16, Sir Knight Stewart forwarded my November 11 email to the Committee for review and comment. It was his opinion that my draft decision was correct.

On November 17, I received an email from Sir Knight Glenn Means, Templar Jurisprudence Committee, agreeing with Sir Knight Stewart's November 16 opinion. Brent recommended that I draft the letter of decision and run it by him for final review.

On November 27, I forwarded the draft letter to Sir Knight Stewart. Brent replied that is was fine.

On November 29, I sent an email to Sir Knight Thomas with my formal decision that in this particular situation it was not necessary to notify the membership concerning the change in the location to which they were moving. I asked that, once a new location had been secured, the Commandery's membership be informed of the new location by a notice with the annual dues notice, with the next regular communication to the members, or in the local newspaper. In addition, I asked that the by-laws of Westport Commandery be amended in the normal manner and the revisions submitted to the Grand Recorder.

On January 7, 2011, I received an email from Sir Knight Thomas informing me that Westport Commandery had physically moved to the Swope Park Masonic Lodge located at 8521 Oldham Rd, Kansas City, MO, 64138-2879. He commented that the building did not have a phone and that the Commandery would continue to meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm. However, I failed to follow up on the requisite proposed bylaws change.

On March 19, Sir Knight Thomas and I discussed the issue during an event we both happened to be attending. Roy promised to email the proposed by-law change to me.

On March 20, I received an email from Sir Knight Thomas with a complete copy of the revised by-laws (dated March 15, 2011).

On March 21, I replied to Sir Knight Thomas that it would be most helpful to have a document that just contained the articles/sections revised. As an alternative, I suggested that he could provide the previous complete copy of the by-laws for comparison.

On March 24, I received a paper copy of the May 20, 2008 Westport by-laws from Sir Knight Thomas.

On March 25, I scanned the 2008 version of the Westport by-laws into a PDF and used optical character recognition to recover text data from the scanned document. I then performed a sentence level comparison of the 2008 and 2011 versions resulting in a document containing the language of both versions with the alterations highlighted. I emailed all three documents to Sir Knight Stewart, Sir Knight Troxel, and Sir Knight Thomas. I commented that my initial reaction was that all of the revised by-laws were in order, but requested that the Committee review them.

On March 28, I received an email from Sir Knight Stewart forwarding the Westport documents to the Committee.

I consider this issue pending and must leave it to the next Grand Commander for resolution.

## St. John's Commandery:

On November 29, 2010, Sir Knight Fred Troxel, Grand Recorder, forwarded a by-laws amendment request to me, as well as the Templar Jurisprudence Committee, from St. John's Commandery No. 20, Springfield, Missouri. The proposal was to add language concerning what uniform paraphernalia would be provided to the members, officers, and past officers including delineating who "owned" which items, how they were to be issued, and when they were to be returned. I received a comment from one Committee member concerning the language of the provisions. I sent an email to Sir Knight Jim Mercer, Recorder, requesting a complete copy of the Commandery's by-laws. I sent a comment to Sir Knight Brent Stewart, Templar Jurisprudence Chair, concerning my opinion that the entire addition could benefit from a complete re-write to resolve certain inconsistencies.

On December 6, I received a copy of the by-laws by US mail and sent an email to Sir Knight Mercer confirming receipt.

On December 9, I scanned the paper copy into a PDF file and forwarded the file to the Templar Jurisprudence Committee and to Sir Knight Troxel.

On December 28, I received an email from Sir Knight Stewart to the Templar Jurisprudence Committee concerning the by-laws amendment. He included a document file containing draft suggestions for "cleaning up" the proposed by-laws changes. He asked the Committee for comments and discussion.

On March 25, 2011, due entirely to my lack of follow up, I forwarded Sir Knight Stewart's proposed alternate language document file to Sir Knight Mercer. I commented that, while the intent of the change was acceptable, the actual language of the change could be improved in order to more clearly express that intent. I asked Jim to share the alternate language with the Commandery and decide whether they wanted to keep the original language or to substitute the alternate language. If they wanted to keep the original language, then he needed to inform me so I could issue a formal letter of acceptance. If they wanted to substitute the alternate language, then I asked him to resubmit a request for approval together with the text of the amended by-laws. No response was received.

I consider this issue pending and must leave it to the next Grand Commander for resolution.

## **Meetings and Visitations:**

May 14, 2010	I attended the Grand Commandery Grand Session - reconvened the 149th Grand Conclave - was elected and installed Grand Commander
May 25, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of Crusade Commandery No. 23, Mexico, Missouri - I was asked to provide a workshop on the opening drill tactics
May 30 & 31, 2010	Debbie and I attended the DeMolay State Conclave - we were introduced at the Grand Banquet - I purchased a big blue foam finger with the \$500.00 youth support check - I presented Daniel Best with the Grand Commandery Youth Award - Debbie and I stayed the night courtesy of the DeMolay and attended the Awards Banquet the next morning
June 5, 2010	I attended the Spring Reunion of the Columbia Valley Scottish Rite, Columbia, Missouri - I assisted in the 30th Degree as the Commander of the Templar Guards - I also assisted with the 32nd Degree as the Prior
June 11, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of St. Graal Commandery No. 12, Columbia, Missouri
June 12, 2010	I attended the Region 1 Regional Conclave hosted by Ely Commandery No. 22, Kirksville, Missouri, in the Kirksville Masonic Temple, Kirksville, Missouri, under the direction of Sir Knight Richard R. Mansfield, Grand Generalissimo and Regional Officer - I presented the three Regional Conclave presentations - after lunch I held a discussion of the Drill Competition Event
June 21, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29, Jefferson City, Missouri - I enjoyed a very nice dinner prior to the meeting - I installed the new Officers

June 24, 2010	Debbie and I attended the Job's Daughters Grand Bethel - I was introduced at the meeting - I presented the \$500.00 youth support check - I presented the Grand Commandery Youth Award to Caitlyn Washington
June 26, 2010	I attended the June meeting of Missouri Priory No. 17, Knights of the York Cross of Honour in Buckner, Missouri - I received a Grand Commander's quadrant certificate
June 26, 2010	MEC McLemore, MIC Haddox, and I visited the Grand York Rite of Missouri Marker and Time Capsule in Branson, Missouri - we found the Marker in excellent
June 26, 2010	condition and the surrounding area well maintained Debbie and I attended the Missouri Rainbow Girls Grand Assembly - I was introduced at the meeting - I presented the \$500.00 youth support check - I presented the Grand Commandery Youth Award to Crystal Felkner
July 9, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of St. Graal Commandery No. 12
July 10, 2010	I held a Grand Commandery Officer meeting at the Lodge in Jefferson City
July 10, 2010	Debbie and I attended Most Illustrious Companion Jim Haddox's reception in Rolla
July 17, 2010	I attended the Region 2 Regional Conclave hosted by Hugh
August 7, 2010	De Payens Commandery No. 4, St. Joseph, Missouri, in the St. Joseph Masonic Center, St. Joseph, Missouri, under the direction of Sir Knight James L. Woodfin, Jr., Grand Captain General and Regional Officer - I presented the three Regional Conclave presentations - after lunch I held a discussion of the Drill Competition Event I attended the Region 3 Regional Conclave hosted by Palestine Commandery No. 17, Independence, Missouri, in the Buckner Masonic Lodge, Buckner, Missouri, under the direction of Sir Knight Harold F. Coots, Grand Senior Warden and Regional Officer - I presented the three Regional Conclave presentations - after lunch I held a discussion of the Drill Competition Event
August 13, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of St. Graal Commandery No. 12
August 21, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of the Heart of Missouri York Rite College No. 188, Columbia, Missouri
August 24, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of Crusade Commandery No. 23
September 10, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of St. Graal Commandery No. 12
September 11, 2010	I held a Grand Commandery Officer meeting at the Lodge in Jefferson City

September 18-19, 2010	Debbie and I went to Shreveport, LA with Ronnie and Margaret Green and Jim and Rita Woodfin for the Southwest and South Central Department Conferences - the Grand Commandery of Missouri was completely represented (plus several members) at the Department Conference
September 25, 2010	I attended the Region 4 Regional Conclave hosted by Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29, Jefferson City, Missouri, in the Jefferson City Masonic Temple, Jefferson City, Missouri, under the direction of Sir Knight Larry T. Odom, Grand Junior Warden and Regional Officer - I presented the three Regional Conclave presentations - after lunch I held a discussion of the Drill Competition Event
September 26, 2010	Debbie and I attended the Grand Master's Distinguished Guests' Banquet
September 27, 2010	I attended the first day of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M of Missouri - I was introduced as the Grand Commander and asked to speak on behalf of the Appendant Bodies of Freemasonry present - Debbie and I attended the Grand Banquet that evening
September 28, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of Crusade Commandery No. 23
October 2, 2010	I attended the Region 5 Regional Conclave hosted by Ascalon Commandery No. 16, St. Louis, Missouri, in the New Masonic Temple, St. Louis, Missouri, under the direction of Sir Knight Robert W. Schlichter, Grand Standard Bearer and Regional Officer - I presented the three Regional Conclave presentations - after lunch I held a discussion of the Drill Competition Event
October 8, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of St. Graal Commandery No.
October 24, 2010	I attended my Grand Commander's Reception hosted by St. Graal Commandery No. 12, Boone Chapter No. 290 Order of the Eastern Star, and Columbia Assembly No. 18 International Order of the Rainbow Girls
October 26, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of Crusade Commandery No. 23
November 4, 2010	Debbie and I attended a Table Commandery hosted by Palestine Commandery No. 17
November 6, 2010	I attended the Region 6 Regional Conclave hosted by DeSoto Commandery No. 56, Farmington, Missouri, in the Farmington Masonic Center, Farmington, Missouri, under the direction of Sir Knight K. Trent Moreland, Grand Sword Bearer and Regional Officer - I presented the three Regional Conclave presentations - after lunch I held a discussion of the Drill Competition Event

November 12, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of St. Graal Commandery No. 12
November 13, 2010	I held a Grand Commandery Officer meeting at the Lodge in Jefferson City
November 13, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of the Heart of Missouri York Rite College No. 188
November 23, 2010	I attended a regular meeting of Crusade Commandery No. 23
November 29, 2010	I went to Chillicothe, Missouri with Sir Knight Robert W. Schlichter, Grand Standard Bearer, to a special meeting of the Chillicothe York Rite bodies held to discuss their situation and potential solutions
December 4, 2010	I attended the Region 4 York Rite Conference held in Montgomery City, Missouri
December 10, 2010	Debbie and I attended the joint Table Commandery Christmas Observance held by St. Graal Commander No. 12 and Crusade Commandery No. 23 at the Scottish Rite Temple in Columbia, Missouri - I presented the Christmas messages, a memorial for Sir Knight Sid C. Dorris, III, GCT, Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, who passed away November 19, 2010, and a memorial for Sir Knight William Henry Thornley, Jr., GCT, Most Eminent Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, 1991-1994, who passed away December 21, 2010
December 11, 2010	I attended the Fall Reunion of the Columbia Valley Scottish Rite, Columbia, Missouri - I assisted in the 30th Degree as the Commander of the Templar Guards - I also assisted with the 32nd Degree as the Prior
December 12, 2010	Debbie and I attended the Columbia Masonic Family Christmas Dinner held at the Scottish Rite Temple in Columbia, Missouri
December 18, 2010	I attended the Region 7 Regional Conclave hosted by St. John's Commandery No. 20, Springfield, Missouri, in the Masonic York Rite Temple, Springfield, Missouri, under the direction of Sir Knight L. LeRoy Salmon, Grand Warder and Regional Officer - I presented the three Regional Conclave presentations - after lunch I held a discussion of the Drill Competition Event
December 20, 2010	Debbie and I attended a regular meeting of Prince of Peace Commandery No. 29 - we enjoyed a very nice dinner prior to the meeting - I presented a short paper on the history of St. John's Day

January 8, 2011	I held a Grand Commandery Officer meeting at the Lodge in Jefferson City - followed by a meeting of the Grand Commandery Finance Committee - followed by a meeting of the Grand Commandery Audit Committee - followed by a meeting of the Grand Commandery Drill Committee
January 9, 2011	Debbie and I attended the Kirksville York Rite Installations - I was the Installing Officer and Sir Knight Robert W. Schlichter, Grand Standard Bearer, was the Installing Marshal, for Ely Commandery No. 22
January 14, 2011	I attended a regular meeting of St. Graal Commandery No. 12
January 15, 2011	Debbie and I attended the Columbia York Rite Installations - I was the Installing Officer for St. Graal Commandery
January 25, 2011	I attended a regular meeting of Crusade Commandery No. 23 - I installed the new Officers
January 28, 2011	Sir Knight Ron and Lady Claudette Skiles helped me set up the meeting room for the summit in the Scottish Rite Temple, Columbia, Missouri - They also helped set up the audio equipment - Ron ran cable to the Twilight Lodge Building for the listening gallery - they helped me test the audio set up
January 29, 2011	I attended a special meeting of the Grand Commandery Drill Committee in the Scottish Rite Temple, Columbia, Missouri - all Missouri Commanderies had been invited to send two delegates - Sir Knight Kevin B. Sample, Drill Committee Chair, presided
January 29, 2011	I attended a Drill Competition Tactics Workshop in the Scottish Rite Temple, Columbia, Missouri, held by Sir Knight Ronnie E. Green, Grand Drill Instructor
February 5, 2011	I attended a regular meeting of the Heart of Missouri York Rite College No. 188
February 11, 2011	I attended a regular meeting of St. Graal Commandery No. 12
February 21, 2011	I went to Chillicothe, Missouri with Sir Knight Robert W. Schlichter, Grand Standard Bearer, and MIC James Haddox to a special meeting of the Chillicothe York Rite bodies held to make final decisions concerning their continuation - happily I installed the new Officers
February 22, 2011	I attended a regular meeting of Crusade Commandery No. 23
February 26, 2011	I attended a meeting of the Grand Commandery Audit Committee in Jefferson City
March 1, 2011	I attended a regular meeting of Fayette Howard Lodge No. 4 - with permission from Worshipful Brother and Sir Knight Jeffrey A. Keevil, Regional Grand Commander, I

	presented Sir Knight Robert Warford with his Grand
March 5, 2011	Commandery Endowed Membership Certificate Debbie and I attended the Grand Commander's Breakfast
Waten 3, 2011	held in my honor by Ascalon Commandery No. 16, St.
	Louis, Missouri
March 11, 2011	I attended the Easter Observance dinner and regular
, ,	meeting of St. Graal Commandery No. 12
March 12, 2011	Debbie and I attended the Grand York Rite Grand Session
	planning meetings in Jefferson City at the Lodge and at the
	Capital Plaza Hotel
March 19, 2011	Debbie and I attended the Grand Conclave of the Order of
	True Kindred of Missouri - we were introduced at the
	Annual Installation of Officers - after the ceremony we
N. 1 20 2011	enjoyed the light refreshments
March 30, 2011	I met with Sir Knight Kevin B. Sample, Drill Committee
March 31, 2011	Chair, to discuss the 2011 Drill Competition event I met with Sir Knight C. Brent Stewart, Templar
Waten 31, 2011	Jurisprudence Chair, to discuss potential legislation and
	pending jurisprudence issues
April 2, 2011	I attended the Grand Commandery Finance Committee pre-
	budget meeting in Jefferson City
April 7, 2011	Debbie and I attended the Grand Court of the State of
	Missouri Order of the Amaranth in St. Louis, Missouri - I
	was introduced and given a few minutes to explain the
	Grand Commandery and its many charities - we enjoyed a
	nice reception following the Informal Opening
April 8, 2011	I attended a regular meeting of St. Graal Commandery No.
A	12
April 9, 2011	On my birthday, I held a Grand Commandery Officer meeting at the Lodge in Jefferson City
April 17, 2011	Debbie and I attended the Grand Lodge of Missouri Grand
71pm 17, 2011	Master's Breakfast in St. Louis, Missouri - I was
	introduced from the floor and Debbie enjoyed setting with
	Dennis Fetter and the Sons of '76
April 20, 2011	I attended a St. Graal Commandery No. 12 Drill Team
	practice session
April 27, 2011	I attended a St. Graal Commandery No. 12 Drill Team
	practice session
May 4, 2011	I attended a St. Graal Commandery No. 12 Drill Team
M 12, 2011	practice session
May 13, 2011	I attended a regular meeting of St. Graal Commandery No. 12
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Not listed here are the many Lodge, Chapter, and Council meetings attended during this period.

## **Appointments:**

## **Appointed Officers:**

Ronald E. Wood, Jr. HPGC (4, 19) - Grand Historian

Michael L. Wallis (12) - Aide-De-Camp

Jerry W. Hunter, Sr. (12) - Aide-De-Camp

Ronald L. Skiles (12) - Grand Sentinel

Ronnie E. Green, PGC (16, 8) - Grand Drill Instructor

Steven C. Monrotus (56) - Grand Organist

Chris M. Jessen (59) - Assistant Grand Organist

Matthew W. Price (12) - Inner Guard

Mark A. Bean (12) - Inner Guard

Phillip J. Moody (23) - Inner Guard

Jared A. Price (23) - Inner Guard

William R. Brantley (12) - Grand Photographer

Clayton Riley (6) - Assistant Grand Photographer

James E. Snavely, PGC (56) - KTEF Representative

Ronald E. Wood, Jr., HPGC (4) - Golf Tournament Coordinator

James E. Snavely, PGC (56) - Assistant Golf Tournament Coordinator

Roger D. Fleer (16) - Honor Guard Coordinator

#### **Regional Officers:**

See Grand Commandery Programs, 2010-2011 Regional Officers above.

## **Standing Committees:**

Address of Grand Commander Ronnie E. Green, Chairman J. Joseph Hayes Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.

Credentials
Phillip W. Engel, Chairman
Jerry Bradford
Ted W. Harrison

**Educational Foundation** 

Forrest G. Lowe (2011), Chairman

David C. Witte (2012)

Robert H. Bray (2013)

Kevin E. Weaver (2014)

LeRoy D. Unruh (2015)

Donald L. Trabue, Treasurer, non-voting

Frederick A. Troxel, Jr., Secretary, non-voting

Finance and Accounts

James E. Snavely, Chairman

Harold J. Richardson

Daniel R. Quesenberry

Harold F. Coots

Larry T. Odom

## Hospitaler

Daniel R. Quesenberry, Chairman

Richard L. Mansfield

James L. Woodfin, Jr.

#### Investment

Donald L. Trabue, Chairman

James E. Snavely

Daniel R. Quesenberry

Returns of Commanderies

Phillip W. Engel, Chairman

Jerry Bradford

Ted W. Harrison

## Templar Jurisprudence

C. Brent Stewart, Chairman

Glenn E. Means

James E. Snavely

William S. Hall

Harold J. Richardson

Stanton T. Brown

Robert W. Schlichter

#### Triennial

Lionel J. Goede, Chairman

Ronnie E. Green

Richard L. Mansfield

## **Special Committees:**

#### Annual Conclave

James L. Woodfin, Jr., Chairman

Richard L. Mansfield

Daniel R. Quesenberry

Frederick A. Troxel, Jr.

Donald L. Trabue

Glenn E. Means

Audit

Harold J. Richardson, Chairman

James E. Snavely

Daniel R. Quesenberry

Harold F. Coots

Larry T. Odom

Robert W. Schlichter

James G. Haddox

Drill

Kevin B. Sample, Chairman

Ronnie E. Green, Grand Drill Instructor

José R. Palacios, Class A Judging Squad Leader

Kevin E. Weaver, Class B/C Judging Squad Leader

Forms and Publications

Frederick A. Troxel, Jr., Chairman

Aaron M. Shoemaker

Kevin B. Sample

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Ronald E. Wood, Jr., Chairman

Ralph E. Nolan

Kevin E. Weaver

Honor Commandery Award

Daniel R. Quesenberry, Chairman

Richard L. Mansfield

James L. Woodfin, Jr.

Knights Templar Magazine

Russell S. Hanson, Editor

Daniel R. Quesenberry

Ronald E. Wood, Jr.

Patriotic and Civic Activities

Richard L. Mansfield, Chairman

James L. Woodfin, Jr.

Harold F. Coots

Ritual Committee

Ronnie E. Green, Chairman

Kevin B. Sample

Brian J. Densmore

York Rite Conference Daniel R. Quesenberry, Chairman Regional Officers

Youth Organizations
Thomas L. Thomason, Chairman
LeRoy D. Unruh
David L. Leirer
Lionel J. Goede

#### **Recommendations:**

I recommend that the progression of Grand Line Officers through the Regions be continued.

I recommend that the new Regional Grand Commander system be continued. I also recommend that the Regional Grand Commanders from different Commanderies be appointed whenever possible in Regions with more than one Regional Grand Commander.

I recommend that the Regional Conclaves be continued.

I recommend that the Grand Officers refine the Grand Commandery Services Survey and again attempt to collect a statistically significant sample of responses from the Missouri Sir Knights in order to critically evaluate the value of the services currently being provided and to determine the additional services to be considered for the future.

I recommend that a Drill Competition Summit be held each year for at least the next couple of years to fine tune the event instructions and to encourage more participation.

I recommend that a State-wide Drill Competition Tactics Workshop be held annually by the Grand Drill Instructor. In addition, I recommend that the Grand Drill Instructor, together with the Regional Officers, organize Regional Drill Tactics Workshops in each Region. The Regional workshops could be held in conjunction with the Regional Conclaves.

I recommend that every Missouri Commandery appoint a Sir Knight as IT Officer to handle electronic communication and YRIS for the Commandery.

I recommend that the Grand Commandery Officers, together with the Grand Chapter and Grand Council Officers, investigate the procurement of cloud storage services and discontinue the operation of our dedicated server hardware.

I recommend that the 2011-2012 ePocket Directory be made available to the membership at large.

I recommend that the Grand Commandery Officers evaluate the currently available Grand Commandery documents to determine which, if any, could be converted to ebooks for distribution.

I recommend that all Grand Commandery electronic forms be provided in both a print PDF version and a typewriter-enabled PDF version.

## **Conclusion:**

I have greatly enjoyed this year as your Grand Commander. I have experienced the adoration of our Youth, the gratitude of the Sir Knights, the appreciation of the Grand Officers, and the wisdom of the Past Grand Commanders. This year has also been a test of my personal endurance, but never a burden that I did not gladly bear. While the job has tested my metal, I believe that I have richly benefitted from the experience. I will cherish the memory of this year forever.

Thank you.

Fraternally submitted,

Russell S. Hanson

Grand Commander, 2010-2011

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