

PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH  
MASONS OF MARYLAND



ANNUAL  
CONVOCATION

OCTOBER 27, 2023  
CLAIRON INN  
Frederick, Maryland



**Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland  
Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters of Maryland  
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar in Maryland**

Companions & Sir Knights

By order of the:

Most Excellent Grand High Priest, ME Comp. G. Andrew Martinez

Most Illustrious Grand Master, MI Comp. William C. Hare, Jr

Right Eminent Grand Commander, SK John H. Auston

Official Notice is given for:

**The Annual Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland,  
The Annual Grand Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters of Maryland, and The  
Annual Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar.**

**The Grand Chapter** will meet in Grand Convocation on **Friday, October 27, 2023, at 3:00 pm** to conduct all business proper to the Annual Grand Convocation. Agenda to include Finance Presentations, Installation of 2024 Officers, and all other Officer and Committee Reports, as necessary. The dress is a Tuxedo with a Red Jacket, Apron, & Jewels for Officers; all others are Tux or Coat and tie. Please wear your Chapter Apron.

Location: Clarion Inn Frederick Event Center, Frederick, MD.

**The Grand Council** will meet in Grand Assembly on **Saturday, October 28, 2023, at 9:00 am** to conduct all business proper to the Annual Grand Assembly. Agenda to include Finance Presentations, Installation of the 2024 Officers, and all other Officer and Committee Reports, as necessary. The dress is a Tuxedo, Apron, & Jewels for Officers; all others are Tux or Coat and tie. Please wear your Council Apron.

Location: Clarion Inn Frederick Event Center, Frederick, MD.

**The Grand Commandery** will meet in Grand Conclave on **Saturday, October 28, 2023, at 1:15 pm** to conduct all business proper to the Annual Grand Conclave. Agenda to include Presentations, Installation of 2024 Officers, and all other Officer and Committee Reports, as necessary. The dress is Full Templar Uniform, Chapeau & Sword. Location: Clarion Inn Frederick Event Center, Frederick, MD.

Fraternally & respectfully,

ME Comp William C. Eppig  
Grand Secretary  
Grand Chapter of Maryland

RI Comp. Vernon H.  
Huebschman  
Grand Recorder  
Grand Council of Maryland

SK Vernon H. Huebschman  
Grand Recorder  
Grand Commandery of  
Knights Templars in MD

**Proposed Constitution change to be voted on at the Annual Meeting of the  
Grand Council of Maryland on May 28, 2023.  
Proposed by Robert Lumbert, PIGM.**

**Add Standing Resolution # 19.**

*Each Council shall report on its annual report every year the location of its financial assets by providing, for each account and any safety deposit box: (1) the type of account, (2) the institution at which the account is held, (3) the name on the account, and (4) the names of the Companions having access to the account (at least two). No account will be held in the name of an individual. No Council funds will be co-mingled with the funds of another organization.*

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**2023 Maryland York Rite Grand Sessions  
Tentative Schedule**

Friday, October 27, 2023

- 1:00 pm to 5:30 pm – Registration Open
- 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm – **Grand Chapter Session**
- 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm – Dinner & Awards Presentations
- 9:00 pm to 11:30 pm – Hospitality Room Open

Saturday, October 28, 2023

- 7:45 am to 9:00 am – Registration Open
  - 8:00 am – Guests Assemble
  - 8:15 am – **Introduction of Guests – Followed by Memorial Service**
  - 9:00 am to 11:45 am – **Grand Council Session**
  - 10:00 am to 2:30 pm – Ladies Program & Luncheon
  - 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm – Men’s Lunch
  - 1:15 pm to 3:15 pm – **Grand Commandery Session**
  - 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm – Hospitality Room Open
  - 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm – Social Time – Hotel Bar – Cash Bar (Continues During Banquet)
  - 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm – **York Rite Banquet**
- (Hospitality Room will open ½ hour following the banquet until 11:30 pm.)

Online Registration and Payment at:  
<https://www.yorkritemaryland.org/session>

**1. Opening of Grand Chapter**

**M.E. Comp. G. Andrew Martinez, G.H.P.**

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Companion G. Andrew Martinez, called the Grand Chapter to order, with the following Grand Chapter Officers seated unless otherwise noted:

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. G. Andrew Martinez

Grand King: R.E. Comp. Dennis W. Ewing

Grand Scribe: R.E. Comp. Rafael Rodriguez

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. William C. Eppig, P.G.H.P.

Grand Treasurer: R.E. Comp. John M. Lister

Grand Captain of the Host: Ex. Comp. William E. F. Miller III

Grand Principal Sojourner: Ex. Comp. Randolph Disney - **Passed**

Grand Royal Arch Captain: Ex. Comp. Darryl Smith

Grand Master of the Third Veil: Ex. Comp. Dirk Wilker - **Excused**

Grand Master of the Second Veil: Ex. Comp. Robert Reynolds

Grand Master of the First Veil: Ex. Comp. Gordon Munholland

Grand Chaplain: Ex. Comp. A. Dean Burt

Grand Sentinel: Andrew Wilson - **Excused**

Grand Lecturer: Ex. Comp. Dennis W. Ewing

Deputy Grand Lecturer: M.E. Comp. Bruce G. Colburn

The M.E.G.H.P. led the Grand Chapter in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Lights were set.

The Grand Chaplain offered the opening prayer.

The Grand Chapter was then declared Open in Ample Form at 3:06 pm.

**Full Report of the Committee on Conference: Complete Attendance**

<b>Concordia Royal Arch Chapter No.1: 3</b>	Bruce G. Colburn, P.G.H.P. Robert B. Lumbert, P.G.H.P. Gordon Munholland	<b>Phoenix Royal Arch Chapter No. 7: 2</b>	William Miller Frederick Spicer, MWGM
<b>Chesapeake Royal Arch Chapter No. 17: 0</b>	<b>Not Represented</b>	<b>Salem Royal Arch Chapter No. 18: 0</b>	Kenneth Robertson
<b>Talbot Royal Arch Chapter No. 22: 0</b>	<b>Not Represented</b>	<b>Adoniram Royal Arch Chapter No. 21: 1</b>	Louis Romeo, Jr.
		<b>Enoch Royal Arch Chapter No. 23: 1</b>	Michael Shank
<b>Mt. Vernon Royal Arch Chapter No. 25: 5</b>	George Martinez, GHP Rafael Rodriguez, III, REGS Gordon Davids John Lister REGT	<b>Hayward Royal Arch Chapter No. 29: 0</b>	<b>Closed</b>
<b>Druid Royal Arch Chapter No. 28: 7</b>	Randall L. Watson, P.G.H.P. William E. Eppig, P.G.H.P. Robert W. Chase, PGHP Jeffrey Dill, PGHP Richard Naegele, PGHP Dennis Ewing, REGK William Hare Robert Reynolds Teko Foley, GGHP	<b>Carroll Royal Arch Chapter No. 31: 4</b>	Michael Raab
		<b>Edenton Royal Arch Chapter No. 36: 3</b>	Clifton Friel, P.G.H.P. Vernon Heubschman, PGHP Dean Burt John Myers, Jr. Stephen Twomey, Jr.
<b>James F. Allen Royal Arch Chapter No. 33: 3</b>	John Austin James Kinnear Carl Swanson	<b>York Royal Arch Chapter No. 44: 1</b>	Raymond Denmark Mark Irwin
<b>Tuscan Royal Arch Chapter No. 42: 3</b>	Darryl Smith		

**1a. Preliminary Report on Conference**

**M. E. Comp. William Eppig, Gr Sec**

PGHP Vernon Hubschman took attendance of Voting Members by calling the Roll of all qualified voting members.

**M.E.G.H.P.,**

The register shows the following:

- 12 Chapters represented out of 14.
- 32 Voting Members were present.
- 20 Non-Voting Members were present.

**2. Reception of Past Grand High Priests**

M.E.G.H.P. Martinez presented and welcomed the following Past Grand High Priest in attendance:

Year Elected	Past Grand High Priest
1996	Clifton R. Friel
2004	Vernon H. Huebschman
2010 – 2011	Robert B. Lumbert
2013	Richard P. Naegele
2014 - 2015	Randall L. Watson
2018	William C. Eppig
2019	Bruce G. Colburn
2020	Jeffrey L. Dill
2021	Robert W. Chase

Grand Honors were given to the assembled Past Grand High Priests led by the M.E.G.H.P. and assembled Companions. M.E. Comp. Friel responded for the assembled P.G.H.P.'s.

**3. Annual Proceedings**

**M.E. Comp. William Eppig, Gr. Sec.**

M.E.G.H.P.,

The Proceedings of the 2023 Semi-Annual Grand Convocation have been available on the Grand Chapter website since May 2023. As the 2023 Semi-Annual Proceeding has been available for inspection and review and will continue to be so, I move that they be accepted as posted, subject to further correction should any cause be found.

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report and passed unanimously.***

#### 4. Report of the Grand Secretary

M.E. Comp. William C. Eppig, Gr. Sec

MEGHP,

I want to thank all the Chapter Secretaries for their dedication and support to their Chapter over the last year. Congratulations to the 2022-2023 Grand Officers for their devotion to Maryland Royal Arch this past term.

**Annual Reports:** A summary of the Annual Reports for 2023 has been submitted and is on the back of the agenda. All Chapter submitted their report by the deadline, and all fees have been paid. After the Session, I will submit a final report for Maryland to the General Grand Chapter in November.

The Dues cards have been printed for all the chapters and are at the desk for the secretary or representative to pick up after this meeting. I have included a printout of the Chapter membership that I have on the database. I know my list and the number of chapters are not the same. I need each secretary to review my list and compare it to yours. Please report any discrepancies so we can make sure both lists match. This will be extremely important if we merge into a membership management system.

The Membership loss is a concern with this year's report. We had another membership loss of 75 this last year. This includes deaths, demits, and suspensions. Only 21 exaltations were reported this year. Eight of fourteen chapters report exalting at least one member. Of those, only three chapters reported 4-5 members. I know the membership committee will have more on this in their report.

All donations from our Chapters to Royal Arch Research Assistance have been mailed to the General Grand Chapter Coordinator.

**Lifetime Achievement:** At the semi-annual meeting held in May, the Grand Chapter voted to provide funds to design and purchase a new Lifetime Achievement recognition for current and future recipients. The was accomplished (under budget), and the new Breast Star Badge will be presented to all current serving holders this weekend.

**Membership Management System:** Over the last few years, discussion has been made concerning the investment into a Membership Management System. Currently, the Grand Chapter and the Grand Council use an Access Database set up in the 1990s by then Grand Secretary/Recorder Gene Raz. There are many drawbacks to this system. First, our members have no access to their information and make changes. Two, The Chapter secretaries have no direct access to the data; 3, the Grand Secretary/Recorder has the only access to make adjustments. These adjustments generally occur once a year. A dedicated M.M.S. would go a long way to elevate the concerns listed above and help in many other ways to make the job of the Chapter

secretaries easier and less stressful. We have been looking into systems like the Grandview M.M.S. used by the Grand Lodge of MD. and the Grand Encampment M.M.S. After researching Vern Huebschman, I feel the best option would be the G.E.M.M.S. During the New Business section of the agenda, a motion will be made to allow discussion of the system and approval to proceed with implementing a new membership system.

**Secretary and Recorder School:** If the MMS is approved and is in place by the beginning of 2024, we will schedule an MMS Training in place of the regular school in February of 2024.

**Ritual Books:** We have 15 white ritual books left and will need more shortly. At our last meeting, we discussed having the Grand Lecture with a committee, reviewing the book, and making necessary corrections and additions. I'm unsure if this occurred, but this must be a priority this year.

**Hayward Chapter:** During the Semi-Annual meeting held in May. The Grand Chapter voted to approve the merger of Hayward Chapter #29 with Talbot Chapter #22. During the summer, the merger took place. All accounts, property, and Membership were transferred to Talbot Chapter.

Respectfully Submitted and move acceptance of this report.

William C. Eppig, P.G.H.P., Grand Secretary

***The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.***



**5. Report of the Grand Treasurer**

**R.E. Comp. John Lister, R.E.G.T.**

Most Excellent Grand High Priest  
G. Andrew Martinez

MEGHP,

The report of the Grand Treasurer is that the Grand Chapter is in good financial condition. As you and the companions know, 2023 has been a challenge largely due to geopolitical activities.

Attached is the Treasurers Interim Report for 2023, an item to note is that at the Semi-Annual this body voted to award \$7,000 in scholarships. At the direction of MEHP, a transfer of \$3,000 was made from the Reserve Account to the D Ross VanSant account to fund the scholarships in excess of the expected dividends and interest of \$4,000.

Also attached is the status of the Trustees Reserve Fund as of September 30, 2023. Of particular note is the value from November 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. Looking at the 'change in value' shows the volatility in the market in decreases and increases in market values (up \$20K and down \$20K). Overall, the fund is up from \$470,038 to \$509,574 a change of 8.41%. not bad when you consider market volatility.

Respectfully submitted,  
John M. Lister  
Grand Treasurer

Printed: 10/17/2023

## Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of MD Trustees Reserve Fund 2022-23

	Total Value Last Period	Credits / Debits	Change in Value	Total Value this Period
November-22	\$ 470,038.76	\$ 821.03	\$ 19,888.25	\$ 490,748.04
December-22	\$ 490,748.04	\$ 1,440.21	\$ (15,719.58)	\$ 476,468.67
January-23	\$ 476,468.67	\$ 98.06	\$ 15,060.14	\$ 491,626.87
February-23	\$ 491,626.87	\$ 995.56	\$ (5,289.12)	\$ 487,333.31
March-23	\$ 487,333.31	\$ 1,438.71	\$ 16,731.68	\$ 505,503.70
April-23	\$ 505,503.70	\$ 78.54	\$ 10,347.85	\$ 515,930.09
May-23	\$ 515,930.09	\$ 995.64	\$ (7,628.89)	\$ 509,296.84
June-23	\$ 509,296.84	\$ 1,421.47	\$ 20,241.34	\$ 530,959.65
July-23	\$ 530,959.65	\$ 78.59	\$ 7,256.18	\$ 538,294.42
August-23	\$ 538,294.42	\$ 1,016.98	\$ (11,390.22)	\$ 527,921.18
September-23	\$ 527,921.18	\$ 11,489.69	\$ (29,836.23)	\$ 509,574.64
October-23	\$ 509,574.64			\$ -

Value as of November 1, 2020	\$ 470,038.76
Value as of September 30, 2023	\$ 509,574.64
Total Gains (Realized & Unrealized)	\$ 39,535.88
	8.41%

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Randall Watson	2022-2025
John Maclay	2021-2024
John A. Rafine	2020-2023

**Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons Interim Report - 2023**  
11/1/2022 through 10/25/2023 Using 2023 Grand Chapter

Category	Actual	Budget	Difference
<b>INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 19,030.07</b>	<b>\$ 35,700.00</b>	<b>\$ (16,109.93)</b>
Council Anointed Hig Priests	\$ 40.00	\$ 600.00	\$ (560.00)
Exaltations	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)
Invest Inc	\$ 621.30	\$ 3,600.00	\$ (2,978.70)
Other Inc	\$ 48.77	\$ -	\$ 48.77
Per Capita	\$ 1,620.00	\$ 13,800.00	\$ (12,180.00)
Transfer Income	\$ 16,700.00	\$ 16,700.00	\$ -
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 22,861.01</b>	<b>\$ 35,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,838.99</b>
<b>1 - Grand Officers and Related Items</b>	<b>\$ 3,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,550.00</b>	<b>\$ 150.00</b>
1.1 - Grand Secretary	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
1.2 - Grand Lecturer	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -
1.3 - Grand Treasurer	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
1.4 - Grand Sentinel	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
1.5 - Grand Organist	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
<b>2 - Personal Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 4,430.90</b>	<b>\$ 5,600.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,169.10</b>
2.1 - Expenses In Out State	\$ 3,999.90	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 0.10
2.1.1 - GHP Personal Expenses	\$ 3,499.90	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 0.10
2.1.2 - Grand King Personal Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -
2.1.3 - Grand Scribe Personal Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -
2.2 - Expenses N. E. Region	\$ 373.04	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 876.96
2.3 - Regional Meetings	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
2.4 - Degree Team Expenses	\$ 57.96	\$ 250.00	\$ 192.04
<b>3 - General Grand Chapter</b>	<b>\$ 5,684.26</b>	<b>\$ 11,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,815.74</b>
3.1 - Dues General Grand Chapter	\$ 3,458.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 142.00
3.2 - Royal Arch Magazine for Members	\$ 2,126.26	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 873.74
3.3 - RAM Editor Expenses	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
3.4 -Triennial Expenses	\$ -	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 4,800.00
<b>4 - Office Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 5,698.51</b>	<b>\$ 4,050.00</b>	<b>\$ (1,648.51)</b>
4.01 - Office Supplies	\$ 473.59	\$ 450.00	\$ (23.59)
4.02 - Printing Ritual Books	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4.03 - Printing Annual Proceedings	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
4.04 - Postage and Delivery Expense	\$ 351.27	\$ 400.00	\$ 48.73
4.05 - Past GHP Jewel and Engraving	\$ 45.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 55.00
4.06 - GHP Apron & Case	\$ 413.84	\$ 500.00	\$ 86.16
4.07 - Memorials	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
4.08 - Membership Program	\$ 1,253.05	\$ 500.00	\$ (753.05)
4.10 - Equipment Fund	\$ -	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
4.11 - Dues Cards	\$ 125.76	\$ 400.00	\$ 274.24
4.12 - Miscelaneous Expense	\$ 196.25	\$ 100.00	\$ (96.25)
4.13 - Awards	\$ 2,739.75	\$ 350.00	\$ (2,389.75)
<b>5 - Service Contracts</b>	<b>\$ 2,731.34</b>	<b>\$ 4,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,368.66</b>
5.1 - Office Rent	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00

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5.3 - Insurance	\$ 1,978.34	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 21.66
5.4 - Web Site	\$ 153.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 947.00
5.5 - Council Anointed High Priests	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	-
<b>6 - Grand Sessions</b>	<b>\$ 116.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,984.00</b>
6.1 - Hotel Guest Rooms & Svcs	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
6.2 - Luncheons (Members & Ladies)	\$ -	\$ -	-
6.3 - Distinguished Guests Meals & Enter	\$ 116.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,684.00
<b>7 - Charity</b>	<b>\$ 800.00</b>	<b>\$ 800.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
7.1 - Masonic Youth	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	-
7.2 - RARA	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	-
7.3 - Grand Lodge	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	-
Other 7 - Charity	\$ -	\$ -	-

**Grand Chapter RAM D Ross VanSant Fund Interim Report 2023**

11/1/2022 through 10/25/2023 Using 2023 Grand Chapter

Category	Actual	Budget	Difference
<b>INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 5,736.76</b>	<b>\$ 3,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,236.76</b>
Invest Inc	\$ 2,735.88	\$ 3,500.00	\$ (764.12)
Donations Received	\$ -	\$ -	-
_IntInc	\$ 0.88	\$ -	\$ 0.88
Transferr Income	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 7,175.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>	<b>\$ (3,175.00)</b>
Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 175.00	\$ -	\$ (175.00)
Scholarships	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ (3,000.00)

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report and passed unanimously.***



**6. Report on Committee of Accounts and Finance**

**R.E. Andrew Martinez, R.E.G.K.**

Report received at the Semi-Annual Convocation on May 6, 2023.

***M.E.G.H.P. Andrew Martinez calls on Ex. Comp, Dennis Ewing, Grand King, to assume the East to preside over the meeting to deliver the Report of the Grand High Priest.***

**7. Report of the Grand High Priest**

**M.E. Comp. G. Andrew Martinez, G.H.P.**

What a fast year and what a grand year it was! I have had so much fun traveling around the state, and I have had the pleasure of attending some fine events and seeing good ritual. There were many high points in the last six months, however two of the most notable were the DeMolay Grand Line Installation and the Frederick DeMolay BBQ, both back in July. I was honored to attend both, and the young men of the DeMolay give much hope for the future of the world and Freemasonry.

We are advancing the appointed Line Officers today to fill in the void left by the passing of Grand Principal Sojourner Randy Disney. Grand Royal Arch Captain Darryl Smith will be moving into that role, with the rest of the Grand Veilsman moving up one chair. MEHP James Kinnear will now be added to the line, and we thank him for the service he is about to do. A big thank you to all of the Grand Officers for their service to our Grand Chapter. Also, a big thank you to every Brother I can call Companion... every one of you is an ambassador for Royal Arch Freemasonry.

Most of my other work this year is covered in my other reports, so there is no sense in repeating the RARA, Membership, Events, and Long-Range Planning reports. I continue to work in the quarries for you, my Companions, doing the work you are asking for. Your agenda is my agenda. Together, we will strengthen Capitular Freemasonry, and I still firmly believe that every Freemason should be a Royal Arch freemason. Travel Bright and Be the Light the World Needs.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Andrew Martinez, MEGHP

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report and passed unanimously.***

***M.E. Comp. Martinez resumed in the East to continue with the meeting.***

**8. Committee on Conference, Final Report**

**M.E. Comp. William C. Eppig. G.Sec**

12 Chapters represented out of 14.  
The number of voting Companions present: 33  
The number of non-voting Companions: 21

**9. Nominations and Elections:**

**M.E. Comp. Randall L. Watson, P.G.H.P.**

Report received and elections held on May 6, 2023

**10. Grand Lecture / Committee of Work Report**

**R.E. Dennis Ewing, REGK**

Last year, our York Rite Chapters welcomed seven new High Priests. This year, not so much. All who know me know that I travel throughout the state to teach, and hopefully, those efforts result in our chapters keeping and maintaining an active line for those high priests who have requested assistance in their various degrees. Excellent High Priest Martinez has the grand line officers in place to make any degree at almost any time able to be performed.

I currently have 4 York Rite masons reciting ritual work to become High Priests in 2024. I have been asked to come to chapters and work on degrees or opening and closing. Every request that has been made of this Grand Line or myself has been addressed.

Unfortunately, I still arrive at chapters and see officers opening and closing with a book in their hands. I cannot and will not show up at a chapter and begin to berate, scold, and chastise the companions of our bodies. The high priests should make every effort to see that their officers attempt to become proficient at their positions.

Our Chapter Ritual books are, without a doubt, the best in the country and easy to follow and perform the floor work activities. So, I again urge the Chapters to police themselves and encourage their companions to spend just a few minutes each day going over their roles.

I close by saying that last year, I had the honor and privilege of working with Companion Randy Disney, and with his passing, our Grand High Priest has reached out to Past Grand High Priest Bruce Colburn to assist in providing quality performance in ritual work. Companions take advantage of this knowledge.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dennis Ewing, Grand Lecture

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report and passed unanimously.***

**11. Youth and Scholarships Report**

**M.E. Comp. Richard Naegele, PGHP**

(Scholarship Report received May 6, 2023.)

MEGHP G. Andrew Martinez,

Your Youth and Scholarship reports that things are going well with our Youth Organizations. DeMolay has met with positive growth for three years in a row and is on the verge of it again this year. The state is doing well under the leadership of Matthew McKay, SMC controlling the

Monopoly Board, and SK Carl Michel, Executive Officer, keeping an eye on Boardwalk and Park Place.

Job's Daughters has a few upcoming events. Miss DelMar Pageant on December 2, Mother Mick Tea on March 2, and sessions in Ocean City on May 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>. The has as its leaders Vanessa as Miss DelMar Job's Daughter, Cindy O'Neill as Grand Guardian, and Tom Leone as Associate Grand Guardian.

Rainbow for Girls will have a Grand Reception on November 11 in Dundalk and February 10 in Germantown. Their annual Grand Assembly was forced to change locations with the unexpected closing of the Delta Hotel in Hunt Valley. They will hold their sessions on March 21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton in Towson. Kate has been *speeding along* as Grand Worthy Advisor with Mary Adeline Bradford, Supreme Inspector close on her bumper.

Fraternally,

Richard Naegele, PGHP – Chairman

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report and passed unanimously.***

## **12. Report of the R.A.R.A. Committee**

**M.E. Comp. G. Andrew Martinez, G.H.P.**

This year's RARA fundraiser of the Grand Chapter challenge coins is going well, with over 37% of the coins sold to date raising \$660.00. These coins are limited minting, and only 100 have been pressed. The front is a nod to MEGHP Carl Wisner's coin from 1963-64 with the addition of the Ark of the Covenant. The reverse is something special, as the coin is in imitation of part of the Mark Master obligation, immediately recognizable by every Mark Master, making this challenge coin a functional component when participating in the Mark Master degree. The cost per coin is \$20, and **100% of the proceeds** from this coin will go to RARA.

Another \$1,242.33 was raised by 7 of our Chapters, and it is hoped that all 15 of our Chapters can contribute to RARA, no matter how small, in the upcoming year.

It is hoped our individual Chapters and Companions will continue to contribute to this worthy cause and as always if you need materials on for RARA, don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Andrew Martinez, MEGHP

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.***

***The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, presented the Grand Chapter check for \$660.00 from the sale of the Challenge Coins to be forwarded to RARA.***

**13. Report of Time and Place Committee**

**R.E. Dennis Ewing, R.E.G.K.**

Most Excellent Grand High Priest,

Finally, a suitable location for the 2024 Conclave is found. Negotiations have been completed, and the hotel has paid a deposit to secure the location. The location for the 2024 Annual Session is to be the Holiday Inn Oceanfront, 6600 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, Md., on October 25-26, 2024.

Date	Quantity	Room Type	Group Rate
Thursday, 10/24/2024	8	Southern Ocean View or Eastern Oceanfront	\$84 or \$89
Friday, 10/25/2024	50	Southern Ocean View or Eastern Oceanfront	\$139 or \$149
Saturday, 10/26/2024	50	Southern Ocean View or Eastern Oceanfront	\$139 or \$149
Sunday, 10/27/2024	8	Southern Ocean View or Eastern Oceanfront	\$84 or \$89

Respectively Submitted,  
Dennis Ewing, Chairman

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.***

**14. Report of Sessions Planning and Activities**

**E. Comp. Darryl Smith, GRAC**

The Sessions committee was formed to report on the schedule of meetings, meals, events, and activities for the 2023 Annual York Rite Grand Sessions to be held Oct. 27 – 28, 2023, at Clarion Inn Frederick Event Center, 5400 Holiday Dr, Frederick, MD.

On 3/29/23, Committee members, along with representatives of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Maryland and The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Maryland, met with the staff of the Clarion Hotel in Frederick, Maryland.

At that time, we discussed with Clarion staff the menu choices, room rates, hospitality suites, banquet rooms, and meeting spaces. We also discussed space for the Ladies program.

On July 7, 2023, a joint zoom session was held with the Time and Place Committee. At that meeting, the final details of the Grand session were decided.



The following decisions were made:

- The preliminary schedule of events will include:
  - Grand Chapter Session to be held Friday, October 27, 3:00 pm.
  - Grand Council and Grand Commandery Session to be held Saturday, October 28, 9:00 am and 1:15 pm. Respectively
  - There will be an awards banquet on Fri October 27, at 6:30 pm
  - The York Rite banquet will be held on Saturday, October 28, at 6:30 pm
  - Ladies will host a program and luncheon on Saturday, October 28, at 10:00 am
  - There will also be hospitality rooms available at designated times.
- The meal menus and cost per guest were finalized.
- The Registration form, Hotel Reservation form and Guest Invitations were updated and finalized.

The suggested session attire was discussed and included with the tentative schedule for publication. The suggested attire:

- Friday Dinner - Masonic Casual (polo and khakis/slacks) or whatever you're wearing at the Friday afternoon meeting.
- Saturday Lunch - Whatever you're wearing at the Saturday morning and/or Saturday afternoon meeting.
- Saturday Banquet - Formal (The same as each business meeting for the Grand Officers and visiting Grand Officers of each Body; except no aprons, chapeaus, or swords. Others in coat/tie.)
- Grand Chapter Meeting - Grand Officers in red jacket/tie with apron & collar. Visiting Grand Officers in full regalia and their usual "formal" attire. Others in coat/tie with aprons.
- Grand Council Meeting - Grand Officers in tux with purple tie, apron & collar. Visiting Grand Officers in full regalia and their usual "formal" attire. Others in coat/tie with aprons.
- Grand Commandery Meeting - Templar Uniform with chapeau and sword.
  - Ladies' Program - Nice casual, simple pantsuit, or dress.

Special thanks to Right Eminent Grand Commander John Austin for agreeing to coordinate the hospitality room and his Lady Kandi for spear heading the Ladies Program. Also, PEHP Randall Watson for assisting with the registration process. Finally, thanks to Marcy Lapp and Lisa Venetos for coordinating the meeting relating to the formation of the Beauceant at the session.

Finally, the committee will meet prior to the Grand Chapter Semi Annual Session to discuss the session planning for the 2023-24 Grand York Rite Sessions.

Fraternally, Darryl Smith, Grand Royal Arch Captain

*It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.*

**15. 2023 Triennium Report**

**R.E. Comp. Dennis Ewing, REGK**

The 72nd Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International was held August 12th-15th, 2023, in Branson, Missouri. Most Excellent Companion Teko A. Foley was elected General Grand High Priest! Right Excellent Companion Chadwick B. Burks was elected General Grand King and Right Excellent Companion Reed B. Fanning was elected General Grand Scribe.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dennis Ewing, REGK

*It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.*

**16. Report of Jurisprudence & Constitution**

**M.E. Comp. Randall L Watson, PGHP**

M.E.G.H.P. and Companions,

No issues have been referred to your Committee on Jurisprudence & Constitution since the Semi-Annual Grand Convocation.

Randall Watson, M.E.P.G.H.P.  
Chairman

*It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.*

**17. Report of Awards and Recognition**

**M.E. Comp. Randall L Watson, PGHP**

MEGHP and Companions,

The recipients of the various Grand Chapter and General Grand Chapter awards will be recognized at the appropriate times during this Grand Session. If a recipient is not present, the awards will be presented at a future Chapter or Grand Chapter event.

Randall Watson, M.E.P.G.H.P.  
Chairman

*It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.*

**Refer to Appendix 2 for a list of presentations.**

**18. Report on Grievance**

**M.E. Comp. Randall L Watson, PGHP**

MEGHP and Companions,

The issue that was referred to your Committee on Grievance on May 4, 2022, regarding Concordia Chapter #1 has been resolved. The Committee found no violations to have occurred.

Randall Watson, MEGHP  
Chairman

*It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.*

**19. Report of Long-Range Committee**

**M.E. Comp. G. Andrew Martinez, MEGHP**

There is a lot to consider moving forward with Royal Arch Masonry in Maryland and honestly, my head is swimming with ideas on how to implement them. We are now down to 15 Chapters (with Hayward finalizing their merger this year) and there are only a handful of Chapters that can confer all four Chapter degrees. This is very concerning, though it is encouraging that members of other Chapters have been more than willing to help, aid, and assist those Chapters in need. With there are becoming too few of us left to do the heavy lifting. To this end, the focus of my second year will be on how to create new ritualists and providing incentives to do so.

It was a beautiful thing to watch our Maryland degree team confer the Royal Arch at this year's Multi-Jurisdictional. Most excellent work - the candidates were in awe. And that's our task going forward – to leave Brothers in ritual awe. I will be bouncing some ideas off of the REGK, REGS, PGHPs, and our Grand Lecturers on how to get more men performing ritual.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Andrew Martinez, MEGHP

**Supplemental Report:**

We have seen a continuing trend over the past several decades of decreasing membership and attendance in all bodies of Freemasonry throughout the state of Maryland. Death is a factor, but lack of attendance can also be linked to resignations and suspensions from non-payment of dues. Unfortunately, it could also be directly related to these same masonic bodies being poorly run.

It is one thing to have a useful, well thought-out, and worthwhile planning program, but is it too difficult to implement or too unrealistic to achieve; if they are then these noble initiatives will just gather dust.

We all carry a membership card in this wonderful Fraternity and thereby have accepted the responsibility of contributing to it. The two concerns of decreasing membership and stagnant

attendance may have little to do with outside influences and therefore they are within our power to do something about them.

Our Grand High Priest has spent untold hours in trying to solidify, consolidate or eliminate York Rite Chapters of this state. His efforts and expectations are reasonable, attainable, and not too grandiose that positive results cannot be achieved.

With this being said, hear too many times from various chapters that we have petitions and no one to do the work. The York Rite takes entirely too long to get their new petitioners through the system. Recently we had the multi-jurisdictional in which over 50 new York Rite Masons throughout the region received their chapter degrees. How many councils were prepared prior to the multi-jurisdictional to perform the Cryptic Degrees? How many had a representative there to greet them as they registered and let them know when they expected to perform those degrees? There may have been several, but I have heard of only two councils ready to perform these degrees.

Of all the new companions created, how many chapters have reached out and let them know of their next meeting. If we just do the basics at the chapter level in promoting the York Rite, getting trestleboards out in a timely fashion, communicate with the councils, perform the degrees in a timely manner, attend blue lodges and ask the worshipful master for a few moments to speak on behalf of the York rite. I did this at Patapsco during the September meeting and got 1 petition that night. It works.

Our Grand High Priest has provided a flyer on the web page with the question "Why be a York Rite Mason" How many of us has made a copy or two of this and even dropped it off in our own blue lodges let alone another blue lodge. How many have placed petitions at their own or another blue lodge?

Everyone just wants to be a Knight Templar. Another misnomer I have heard. Is this because new candidates do not fully grasp the activities of the Chapters and Councils. If it is, then whose fault is this? Don't have the Grand Chapter set your goals, set them yourselves and then follow through. Contact your members and ask the basic question what do we have to do to see you at our meetings. Maybe if the reason is that they have to go out too many nights for the chapter, council and commandery meetings and if that be the case maybe it might be time to consolidate and have chapter and council on one night. I get it that then the topic becomes that I am out too late but investigate the possibility, discuss it with your membership. Long range planning is in reality short range planning.

Fraternally,  
Dennis Ewing, REGK

***It was moved and seconded to accept both reports. Passed unanimously.***

**20. Report of Membership Committee**

**M.E. Comp. G. Andrew Martinez, GHP**

Our Maryland membership as of this report is on a downward trend for the first time since I've been tracking their statistics. We are down to 962 Companions from 1016 this time last year. We did Exalt 22 new Companions (from 7 Chapters) at the Multi-Jurisdictional earlier this October to go into 2024 with 984 total Companions (though sadly we are now below 1000 Companions and below 10% (.094 to be exact) of the MD Blue Lodge population). We hope to keep the 22 new Companions moving towards further light by keeping them active in our Chapters. We must find new ways to get more Blue Lodge masons into our Chapters and several Chapters have been offering open events to show off the fellowship we experience as Companions. Innovative ideas have ranged from open table chapters, dinner theater nights, and ghost tours. These kinds of different experiences are critical to getting Brothers more interested in coming into our fold as well as keeping current Companions engaged. I will be working with the REGK, REGS, and our PGHPs and any interested Companions on new ideas to regain/maintain our numbers.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Andrew Martinez, MEGHP

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.***

**21. Reports to be Received and Published requiring no action M.E. Robert Lumbert. P.G.H.P.**

The 2023 Northeast Regional Conference was held in Albany on September 8 and 9, the 8<sup>th</sup> for Chapter and Council, the 9<sup>th</sup> for Commandery. I only attended on Friday.

I've attended the Conference many times in the past and generally enjoyed it. But this year it was even better. REGGK Chad Burks said that he uses the Northeast Conference as an example to show other Regions what should be happening there. Apparently, there are some Regions where the Conference consists of little more than introducing dignitaries and hearing from each Jurisdiction about what they have been doing. I only wish we could get more participation from Maryland. There were three there from Delaware, but I was the only Marylander. Not in chronological order, there were three educational talks, two talks on the charities, two presentations from the General Grand Bodies, and two sessions on SWOT, which I will explain later.

The first educational talk was by Michael Sabia, from Connecticut, who by his own description is not a lecturer. His talk wasn't that long, but we did have discussion of it afterward. The title of the talk was "The 27 Select Masters (and one more)". He talked about the various characters appearing in the Select Master degree. Gebal is a city south of Tyre. It is now called Biblos, and in Arabic it is Jubal (ring any bells?). The Gibilimites were Phoenicians and known as builders. It is probable that the design of King Solomon's Temple was Phoenician in origin. Ahishar was the

sentinel, in charge of people coming in and out of the Temple. (His depiction in the Select Master degree is probably not fair to him.) Adonairam was a collector of tribute, working under David, Solomon, and his successors. Zabud was an intimate of King Solomon (possibly in multiple senses). We usually think of King Solomon as an old man in our degrees, but in fact the Temple building took place near the beginning of his reign, when he was still fairly young. Hiram, King of Tyre, on the other hand, was much older, having been a friend of David. He was basically a mentor to King Solomon. There is more historical evidence of him, and we know where his tomb is. There is a school of thought that says Hiram, King of Tyre, and Hiram Abif were actually the same person. According to this, the two personalities were separated because the Jews did not like the fact that a foreigner was so intimately connected with so important a project as building the Temple. There was a mention of the fact that there were 22 workmen from Gabal and there are 22 letters in the Hebrew alphabet, but I didn't get the significance.

The second educational talk was by Piers Vaughn, and it was called "The Holy Royal Ark". I didn't take a lot of notes. One reason was that the talk was so densely packed that when I stopped to take notes, I sometimes lost track of what he was talking about. Also, I don't think the microphone at the podium was working quite right, because I occasionally missed some words and sentences. So, there are details missing in the description below. Having a written version of the talk would help.

The question which was the starting point of the talk was "Why do we call it the Royal Arch Degree, if there are no arches in it?". In French the word for "arch" and "ark" are the same, being "arc" as in "arc-en-ciel", the French word for rainbow, literally "arch in sky". Much of the talk was a discussion of how God's relation to man evolved over time. This is illustrated by his interaction with four men, Noah, Abraham, Moses, and Zerubbabel. Noah had both his ark and an arch, the rainbow. With him, God was telling him what to do, and Noah was just obeying. With Abraham, He sends down angels and promises that Abraham will father a great nation. I don't remember where the ark comes in here, and there is some connection as well with Melchizedek from the Anointed High Priest degree. With Moses, God reveals His name and interacts with him personally. The ark here is both the Ark of the Covenant and the basket in which Moses was found in the Nile as a baby. I had never heard the basket referred to as an ark, but I guess it is. Then with Zerubbabel the relationship is even closer to equality. A few other points he made: There is some association between the four men and the colors of the veils, which I can't give you. Noah's ark moved, Moses' ark was somewhat movable, and Zerubbabel's ark was fixed. There is a connection between the passwords used in the Royal Arch and three of the four men.

Some other things were mentioned. The entrance to the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem was made smaller as a wartime precaution sometime in the past, so you are told to "Stoop low" when entering. The journey back to Jerusalem goes through the Syriac and the Chaldean Empires. (I don't know if this is true for Maryland ritual, as New York ritual takes the journey through other

cities.) In Hebrew the numbers (1-9, 10-19, 100-400) are represented by Hebrew letters. You can add up the numbers corresponding to the letters in a word, and two words with the same sum are supposed to be related. I missed how this fit in, but it somehow explains why the number 40 appears so often in the Bible.

The third talk was by Oscar Alleyne from New York, on “The Lion and the Eagle”. I have heard him speak before, and this was not one of his best. He started by talking about the Freemasons Arms, which were first described by Dermott-Ahiman Rezon in 1756, based on a design from Rabbi Jehudah Leon (1603-1677). If you think of the Arms of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, you have a good idea of what it looked like. The Rabbi also did “Portrait of Solomon’s Temple” (1642) and made wooden models of the same. From here Oscar discussed the symbolism of the lion and eagle in various cultures, including the dream of Cyrus which is mentioned in Knight Masons ritual. It soon got too abstract for me. The talk was also much shorter than scheduled.

There were the two (requisite) talks on the charities, which were worth hearing this year. The RARA talk was by Chad Burks, the GGKing. He put the medical definition of CAPD up, which probably none of us fully understood. But the big point he made was that without the RARA support, research on CAPD would probably cease. He also said there was a proposal to study a link between CAPD and PTSD. Gary Wyne, the Masonic head of CMMRF, talked about recent grants they have gotten. Things are going so well that they had to turn down one grant, because they needed the personnel to focus on the latest aortic aneurism work.

Teko Foly and Chad Burks spoke for General Grand Chapter. Chad spoke about the new Grand Lady of York award and the Mark Master package. The latter includes a Mark Master pin, a half shekel and a great booklet explaining the degree in much detail. The packages cost \$10, but my feeling is that it is money well spent. (I brought one to my Chapter meeting, and we are going to buy some for some who are already Companions.) Teko talked more generally about plans for the future. He offered to write a welcoming letter for new Companions. He also mentioned that there were over 400 people at Branson.

Tom Taylor and Mark Irwin represented General Grand Council. Mark talked mainly about GGCouncil awards. He said that the Veteran’s Award could be given to a non-Mason. And there is a new “Friend Zabud” award, which Mark didn’t have information on. It is apparently for someone active in the four York Rite bodies and the community. Tom spoke mostly on CMMRF and fund raising for it. He said CMMRF had recently received a \$900K estate bequest.

The remainder of our time, about an hour in the morning and in the afternoon, was spent dealing with SWOT. This is a marketing-type analysis tool which we applied to Masonry in general and the York Rite in particular. It was very well received, and I think most of us would have been happy to spend more time on this. We actually ran over 15 minutes in the afternoon.

For the morning, SWOT stood for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats. If you were bringing a new product to market, these are the kinds of things you would want to think about before you did so. We talked about how these apply to York Rite, and we filled up a big sheet with particulars for each one. In the afternoon SWOT stood for Scary, Wild, Outrageous, Threatening. So, these were more “out of the box” ideas. A couple I wrote down were to make more use of the York Rite booklets that Grand Encampment is selling for \$1.00 and to “borrow” the material Scottish Rite has produced to promote York Rite. They also said that New Hampshire has (will have?) a Mark Master Lodge, conferring only that degree with no initiation fee.

This was a great exercise. They transcribed all the “idea” sheets and sent out copies. This would be something worth doing in Maryland if we could get it organized. However, it is only a first step, and more needs to be done to turn the words into actions.

The next Northeast Conference is scheduled for September 6-7, 2024. The place was to be determined, but currently it is planned for Albany, despite the fact that the Albany location is getting expensive. There is a chance that by next fall the General Grand Chapter will have set up a mid-Atlantic Region, and we would be able to have our own Conference. But I’m not counting on that for 2024.

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.***

## **22. Events Committee Report**

**M.E. Comp. G. Andrew Martinez, MEGHP**

This year’s MEGHP Louis Bandell Memorial Low Vale hosted by Phoenix Chapter #7 on September 17 2023 was a fantastic event. Great ritual and fellowship were displayed, as Companions conferred the Mark Master and Past Master degrees there on two worthy Brothers who finished out their Chapter degrees at the Multi-Jurisdictional hosted in Maryland this year by Druid Chapter #28.

The 2023 Multi-Jurisdictional was held on October 14 and was a race-paced day full of excellent fellowship with 52 candidates becoming new Companions. Great degree work by the District of Columbia (Mark Master), Delaware (Past Master), Virginia (Most Excellent Master), and Maryland (Royal Arch). We are back to the regular rotation cycle, so the Multi-Jurisdictional will be held in D.C. in 2024, Virginia in 2025, Delaware in 2026, and then it returns to Maryland in 2027.

As always if you have upcoming events, you want publicized in The Keystone, just let me know.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Andrew Martinez, MEGHP

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.***



**23. Report on Unfinished Business**

**M.E. Comp. John B. Maclay, Jr., P.G.H.P.**

The Committee has identified the following possible items of unfinished business for this Convocation:

Situation of Hayward Chapter

Clearance of Concordia Matter

Disposition of these items may have been made by the time this report is scheduled to be given on the 27th.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Sincerely and fraternally,

John B. Maclay, Jr., PGHP, Chair

***It was moved and seconded to accept the report. Passed unanimously.***

**24. New Business**

**M.E. Comp., Andrew Martinez G.H.P.**

A Motion to adopt the proposal of Masonic Membership Solutions LLC (hereafter known as MMS), for the management of the Grand Chapter and Grand Council membership database:

**Whereas** the current York Rite Database was devised by Comp. Eugene D Racz in the 1990's as a method to manage the membership of the three York Rite Grand Bodies;

And whereas this database is kept in a program known as Microsoft ACCESS, and that few Companions have a working experience with this database,

And whereas the Grand Encampment caused the Grand Commandery to be removed from active participation in the YR Database with the creation of the GE MMS;

And whereas many Chapters, Councils and even members have lamented that they did not have direct connection to their own data in the YR Database...but had to go through the Grand Secretary and/or the Grand Recorder respectively to know about their own membership data;

And whereas there is now a viable solution to the lack of connection among the three York Rite Grand Bodies, and the lack of direct communication with and for the constituent local bodies of the Grand Chapter and the Grand Council;

And whereas many of the local Secretaries and Recorders are also Recorders in their respective local Commanderies, and have a working knowledge of the MMS for the Knight Templar data.

**THEREFORE....**

I move that the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland, ~~and the Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters~~ of Maryland do severally and in unity adopt the appended proposals with

supporting projected costs of implementation supplied by Masonic Membership Solutions LLC dated October 19, 2023.

And that the designated point of Contact shall be the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of RAM ~~and Grand Recorder of the Grand Council of R&SM respectively~~ for the time being and that additionally the Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery may be added as a point of contact if deemed necessary by the Grand Secretary/Grand Recorder.

And that the 2023 – 2024 Grand Chapter ~~and Grand Council~~ has be amended to include the new costs of the data conversions as stated in the MMS proposal under a separate motion.

And that the data conversion be supervised by the Grand Secretary/~~Grand Recorder~~ with whatever clerical assistance he may deem advisable to employ.

And that among the many benefits of the MMS system, the Grand Secretary/~~Grand Recorder~~ shall implement additional services of the MMS to produce and distribute the Annual Membership Card also known as Dues Cards for the local constituent bodies.

And that this motion, if adopted, shall be implemented forthwith and without delay to effect the soonest possible conversion and benefit to our membership and local bodies.

Respectfully submitted and moved for adoption:

Comp Vernon H. Huebschman  
Grand Recorder of the Grand Council of R&SM of MD

Seconded by:

Comp. William C. Eppig  
Grand Secretary  
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of MD

**M.E. Comp Randall Watson made a motion to amend the motion to “Approval of the Grand Chapter” deleting reference to “Approval of Grand Council”, due to lack of authority to approve for the Council.**

**Friendly amendment was approved unanimously.**

**After discussion, the motion as amended was Passed unanimously.**

**25. Introduction of Distinguished Visitors**

**M.E. Comp. Andrew Martinez, G.H.P.**

Most Excellent Grand High Priest formally introduced and gave Grand Honors to:

Jean-Paul Dongmo, Sr.– Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of DC

H. Lee Arritt, Jr. – Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Virginia

Edward Ball – Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of West Virginia

Richard Naegel – Maryland Ambassador to the General Grand Chapter

Piers Vaughan – Deputy General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter  
of Royal Arch Masons International

Teko A. Foley – General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter  
of Royal Arch Masons International

Frederick A. Spicer– Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland

After presenting the Visting Grand High Priests Honorary Membership Certificates he asked everyone to introduce any of their Officers in attendance.

**26. Announcements and Scheduled items**

**M.E. Comp. Andrew Martinez, G.H.P.**

M.E. Comp. Robert Lumbert – Announced the 200th anniversary of the Council of Anointed High Priest and the Council is making plans to celebrate this Anniversary next year.

**27. Voluntary Remarks**

**M.E. Comp. Andrew Martinez, G.H.P.**

M. E. Companion Vernon Huebschman - The Multi- Jurisdiction was a great success, but the event needs better recorded keeping. Need to track the new members, making sure they have been properly vetted and the Chapter Secretaries are aware of them.

**28. Official Remarks Distinguished Guests**

**M.E. Comp. Andrew Martinez, G.H.P.**

M.E. Comp Teko Foley, GGHP – Gave his appreciation to the Grand Chapter of Maryland for al they have done for Royal Arch Masonry. He reviewed the current and future activities of the General Grand Chapter announcing the next Tri-Annual is hopefully being held in Washington, D.C. He thank everyone for the hospitality shown and wished Maryland the best for the upcoming year.

Frederick Spicer, MWGM – Acknowledge the importance of the York Rite in continuing the story of the first three degrees of masonry by relating a conversation he had with a new lodge member.

***M.E.G.H.P. Martinez turned the gavel over to P.G.H.P. Vernon Huebschman to Install the 2023-2024 Grand Chapter Officers.***

**9. Installation**

**M.E. Comp. Vernon Huebschman, P.G.H.P.**

**Installing M.E.G.H.P. - Comp. Vernon Huebschman, P.G.H.P.**

**Installing CoH - M.E. Comp. Bruce Colburn, P.G.H.P. & M.E. Comp. Randal Watson, P.G.H.P.**

**Installing Chaplain E. Comp. Dean Bert**

**Officers Installed for the 2023-2024 Capitular year.**

**Grand High Priest:** Andrew Martinez

**Grand King:** Dennis Ewing

**Grand Scribe:** Rafael Rodriquez

**Grand Secretary:** William Eppig, P.G.H.P.

**Grand Treasurer:** John M. Lister

**Grand Captain of the Host:** William Miller

**Grand Principal Sojourner:** Darryl Smith

**Grand Royal Arch Captain:** Dirk Wiker

**Grand Master of the Third Veil:** Robert Reynolds

**Grand Master of the Second Veil:** Gordon Munholland

**Grand Master of the First Veil:** James Kinnear

**Grand Chaplin:** A. Dean Burt

**Grand Sentinel:** Andrew Wilson

**Grand Lecturer:** Dennis Ewing

**Deputy Grand Lecturer:** Bruce Colburn, P.G.H.P.

**30. Final Remarks of the Grand High Priest**

**M.E. Comp. Andrew Martinez, G.H.P.**

MWGM, DGGGHP, PGHPs, MIGM, REGC, Visiting Dignitaries, Ladies, Companions,

First, thank you all again for this opportunity to serve Royal Arch Freemasonry in Maryland. It is a true honor, one by which I remain truly humbled. I wish to thank our Past Grand High Priests for their continued support and encouragement of my time in the Red East. Their continued counsel is invaluable. Some quick final pieces of business if I may, again I wish to continue our tradition and thereby grant permission to all Past Grand High Priests, the RE Grand King, and the RE Grand Scribe the courtesy of, and all of the rights and privileges of opening and closing in Ample Form. I also extend my permission to Grand Secretary Eppig to grant dispensations for matters extending to regular Chapter business. To our Chapters: please let me know when your degree work is occurring. I would love to know what work you are doing and how I and the Grand Chapter can best support you. As always, I serve you.

I wish to thank PGHP Vern Huebschman for being our Installing Officer, PGHP Bruce G. Colburn for being our Installing Captain of the Host, and Grand Chaplain Dean A. Burt for being our Installing Chaplain. I wish thank the Grand Line Officers for their willingness to continue to serve another year. Thank you to MWGM Frederick A. Spicer and all of our visiting Dignitaries for

attending today and gracing us with your time and presence. Our craft shines brighter because of you. And finally thank everyone who attended to these Annual Sessions this weekend, it truly is the people who make Freemasonry special.

Last, I wish to thank you to my children and my wife, Diana. I could not do what I do for Freemasonry without your limitless support. I love all three of you so much.

God bless you all and thank you all again for this opportunity to serve. (Grand Chaplain Burt, would you please give us a closing prayer.)

And now, there being no further business to come before this Grand Convocation. By virtue of the power and authority vested in me as the Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland, and waiving all other forms and ceremonies, I now declare the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Maryland 2023 Annual Session closed.

G. Andrew Martinez  
Most Excellent Grand High Priest  
**31. Closing of the Grand Chapter**

**M.E. Comp. Andrew Martinez, G.H.P.**

The Grand Capt. of the Host conducted The Grand Chaplain Burt for closing prayer.

The M.E.G.H.P. Martinez directed that the Lights be broken and then declared the Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Maryland closed at 5:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted



William C. Eppig, P.G.H.P., Grand Secretary

## Appendix 1: Report of the Chapters as of August 31, 2023

<b>Concordia Royal Arch Chapter No.1</b> <b>I.R.S. 990N Confirmed</b>	11 Crain Highway Glen Burnie, MD 21061	Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, 7:30 pm Except for June, July, & August
HP: Gordon A. Munholland	EK: Kenneth Kiessling	ES: Bruce Colburn, PGHP
Secty: Jeffrey Burt	<b>Membership: 84</b>	
Past High Priests: Ronald L Aughenbaugh David R Boyer	Bruce Colburn, P.G.H.P. Charles McLaughlin Robert B. Lumbert, P.G.H.P.	Frederick A. Spicer Don Taylor
<b>Exalted</b> Christopher Wertz Jarrett Miller	<b>Deaths:</b> Claude Goode <b>Suspended:</b> Micheal Burdette	<b>Demits:</b> Brain Lewis, John Bessent, Keith Hoddenot, Leslie Hodgson

<b>Phoenix Royal Arch Chapter No.7</b> <b>I.R.S. 990N Confirmed</b>	Aberdeen Masonic Temple Aberdeen, MD	Meets 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 7:30 pm
H.P.: James Thomas	EK: William E. Miller, III	ES: William Wickham
Secty: Barry D. Noe	<b>Membership: 47</b>	
Past High Priests, as reported: <b>*Plural members from other Chapters</b> Vernon Huebschman, PGHP* Edward Foreman	William E. Lautenschlager Michael G. Faby Richard P. Naegele, PGHP* William E. Miller III	Arthur Gordon Richard H. Westermeyer Frederick A. Spicer* James Thomas
<b>Exalted:</b> David Martak	<b>Deaths:</b> Henry McDonald <b>Demit:</b> George Sherman Robert Candler	<b>Suspensions:</b> Jeffrey Hoff Donald Willard

<b>Chesapeake Royal Arch Chapter No. 17</b> IRS 990 Confirmed	110 N. Division Street Salisbury, MD 21801	Meets 4th Thursday 7:30 pm.
<b>H.P.:</b> Arthur Tawes, Jr.	<b>E.K.:</b> Joel J. Todd	<b>ES:</b> Glynn Bridge
<b>Secty:</b> Franklin H. Williams	<b>Membership:</b> 54	
<b>Past High Priests:</b> Arthur H. Tawes, Jr J. Jacob Todd Glynn Bridge	<b>Exalted:</b>	<b>Deaths:</b> Essel Farlow Dana Kennan
<b>Suspended:</b> Mike Farlow Albert German, III	<b>Demitted:</b> William Carey, Jr.	

<b>Salem Royal Arch Chapter No. 18</b>	15 Greene Street Cumberland, MD 21502	Meets 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 7:30 pm September – June
<b>HP:</b> Kenneth Robertson	<b>EK:</b> Vacant	<b>ES:</b> Vacant
<b>Secty:</b> James Simmons	<b>Membership:</b> 59	
<b>Past High Priests:</b> Robert W. Hamilton	Kenneth A. Robertson John M. Greer	<b>Exaltations:</b> none
<b>Deaths:</b> Warren Johnson Gene Purkey Page Shankin, Sr. James Snider	<b>Demits:</b> George Widmyer Nicholas Costello Patrick Stagler Gary Beachy	<b>Suspensions:</b> Micheal O’neal

<b>Adoniram Royal Arch Chapter No. 21</b> I.R.S. 990N Confirmed	304 International Circle Cockeysville, MD 21030	Meets Third Wenesdays September – May 10:30 am.
<b>H.P.:</b> Louis P. Romeo, Jr.	<b>EK:</b> Bruce Colburn, PGHP	<b>ES:</b> William Miller, PHP
<b>Secty:</b> William Wickham, Jr.	<b>Membership:</b> 38	<b>Exaltations:</b> None
<b>Past High Priests:</b> James B. Cooker Edward A. Foreman, P.G.H.P. Dennis W. Ewing W. Neil Siebold	<b>Past High Priests:</b> Vernon H. Huebschman, PGHP William E. Lautenschlager John A. Rafine Louis Romeo, Jr.	<b>Suspensions:</b> Dennis Shipley Vernon Dennison Emmanuel Maxwell  <b>Affiliations:</b> William Miller William Wickham
<b>Deaths:</b> Norman Peppersack Edsel Dyer Roy Rapp, Jr. Richard Seim	<b>Deaths:</b> Edman Hass Zacherie Amala Frank Synder Larry Layton	<b>Demitted:</b> Merle Long Dan McCann, Charles Knight Philip Duncan, Wayne McKenna

<b>Talbot Royal Arch Chapter No. 22</b> <b>I.R.S. 990N Confirmed</b>	114 N. Washington Street Easton, MD 21601	Meets Second Thursday of Jan, April, June, Oct.
H.P.: Robert M. Penny, PM	EK: Michael S. Bauman	ES: Darryl W. McCaslin, PHP
Secty: Robert M. Penny, PM	<b>Membership: 45</b>	
<b>Past High Priests:</b> Darryl W. McCaslin Robert M. Penny Wallace Dodson	<b>Past High Priests:</b> Christian Jenson David Tibetts	<b>Exaltations:</b> Barry Van Vechten, Jr  <b>Reinstatements: None</b>
<b>Deaths:</b>	<b>Demits:</b>	<b>Suspensions:</b>

<b>Enoch Royal Arch Chapter No. 23</b> <b>I.R.S. 990N Confirmed</b>	6816 Blentlinger Road Frederick, MD 21702	Meets Second Tuesday at 7:30 pm
H.P.: Michael Shrank	E.K.: Robert Koons	ES: Dakota Clark
Secty: Dan Powell	<b>Membership: 80</b>	
<b>Past High Priests:</b> Howard W. Graham Ian Hongola	James King George Shumard	<b>Exaltations: None</b>
<b>Deaths:</b>	<b>Reinstatements: None</b>	<b>Suspensions:</b>

<b>Mt. Vernon Royal Arch Chapter No. 25</b> <b>I.R.S. 990N Confirmation</b>	162 Conduit Street Annapolis, MD 21401	Meets Second Monday
HP: James Jolly	EK: Warren Stagnaro	ES: Christopher Thompson
Secty: Raymond H. Denmark	<b>Membership: 90</b>	
<b>Past High Priests:</b> Kenneth S. Wyvill, Jr. Leland Linder G. Scott Romanoski James L. Knighton	Gordon A. Davids S. Dirk Wiker G. Andrew Martinez Edward Matthias Carl Seaman	Jimmie Trowbridge Marc Owens John M. Lister Raymond Denmark
<b>Exaltations:</b> Michael Ogden <b>Reinstated:</b> <b>Suspensions:</b> Bruce Lainer Norman Briggs	<b>Deaths:</b> Gary Bricker James Dixon, IV Charles Staehle Randolph Disney James Cranford	<b>Demits:</b> Frank Smith



<b>Druid Royal Arch Chapter No. 28</b> <b>I.R.S. 990N Confirmed</b>	Oriental Room, Freemason Hall 304 International Circle Cockeysville, MD 21030	Meets Second Thursdays, 7:30 pm
H.P.: George J. Christoff	EK: John Mitchell, PHP	E.S.: Scott Lapp
Secty: Vernon H. Huebschman P.G.H.P.	<b>Membership: 157</b>	
<b>Past High Priests:</b> Teddy R. Barkley Robert W. Chase, PGHP Jeffrey L. Dill, PGHP William C. Eppig, PGHP	Vernon H. Huebschman, PGHP Carl A. Michel John Mitchell Richard P. Naegele, PGHP Randall L. Watson, PGHP	Robert E. Young Robert W. Reynolds Teko Foley, GGHP
<b>Exaltations: None</b>  <b>Affiliation:</b>  <b>Demitted:</b> Gregory Smith Earl Hamilton	<b>Deaths:</b> Dennis Psoras William Gyr Raymond Kampf	<b>Suspended:</b> LLewis Lang Benjamin Saylor Richard Jenkins Richard Hemphill Leroy Graf

<b>Hayward Royal Arch Chapter No. 29</b> <b>Chapter Closed 8/31/2023</b>	439 Race Street Cambridge, MD 21613	Fourth Mondays; 7:30 pm
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<b>Carroll Royal Arch No. 31</b> <b>I.R.S. 990N Confirmed</b>	46 Monroe Street Westminster	Meets Fourth Monday; 7:30 pm
H.P.: Jeffrey L. Disney	EK: Michael Robbins	E.S.: Michael Raab
Secty: William J. Baldwin, Jr.	<b>Membership: 61</b>	
<b>Past High Priest:</b> William J. Baldwin, Jr. J. Michael Robbins Jeffrey Disney	<b>Deaths:</b> John Young Howard Roe	<b>Suspended:</b>
<b>Exaltations:</b> Scott Campanella Bruce Benedict	<b>Demits:</b> Rodger Solarcyk	

<b>James F. Allen Royal Arch Chapter No. 33</b>	Pentalpha Lodge Germantown, MD	Meets Fourth Wednesday; Third Wed. in Nov. & Dec.; 7:30pm
H.P.: James Kinner	EK: Carl Swanson	ES: Adam Buffington
Secty: Kris Brown	<b>Membership: 52</b>	
<b>Past High Priests:</b> John Austin Kris D. Brown Bryan Remley Art Hebbler	Arthur Sellars Art Hebbeler Robert Vitarelli Carl Sellers	<b>Deaths:</b> James Gray, Jr. Joseph Parsons William Robertson, III
Exaltation: Arison Andriamalala Rodney Azama Jordan Hessman Kenneth Grundy Justin Sayre	<b>Reinstatement:</b>  <b>Suspensions:</b>	<b>Demits:</b> Micheal Codori

<b>Edenton Royal Arch Chapter No. 36</b> <b>I.R.S. 990N Confirmed</b>	114 Market Street Denton, MD 21622	Meets First Tuesday in September, December, and March
H.P.: Stephen Twomey, II	EK: Frederick L. Smith	ES: John Myers, Jr.
Secty: Vernon Huebschman	<b>Membership: 69</b>	
<b>Past High Priests:</b> Dean Burt Frank D. Bradley	Lester L. Branson Eugene D Racz, PG Secty Vernon Huebschman, PGHP	Wayne M. Spicher Clifton R. Friel, PGHP Christian Jenson
<b>Exaltations:</b> John Bigelow, Jr. Jonathan Kennedy Warren Neff William Neff	<b>Deaths:</b> Mervin Trice	<b>Deaths:</b>  <b>Demits:</b>  <b>Suspensions:</b>

<b>Tuscan Royal Arch Chapter No. 42 I.R.S. 990N Confirmed</b>	507 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204	Meets First Tuesdays
HP: Darryl Smith	EK: Gary Norman	ES: Dennis Ewing
Secty: Lambros Venetos	<b>Membership: 90</b>	
<b>Past High Priests:</b> W. Michael Boughman Richard A. Eppler, PGHP/CT	Christian Miele John B. Maclay, Jr. M.E.G.H.P.	Spyridon G. Treklas Dennis Ewing
<b>Exaltations:</b> Barry Lester, Sr. Mark Wisnieski Raul Marquez, II Alexander Dulce	<b>Exaltations:</b> Daniel Scarritt <b>Suspensions:</b>  <b>Demit:</b>	<b>Deaths:</b> Jeffrey Harvey Danny Dalton Jack Woodward

<b>York Royal Arch Chapter No. 44 I.R.S. 990N Confirmed</b>	6311 Old Branch Avenue Camp Springs, MD 20748	Meets First Friday; 7:30 pm
H.P.: Raymond H. Denmark	EK: William A. Zarychta	ES: John E. Morris, III
Secty: G. Daniel Brewer.	<b>Membership: 44</b>	
<b>Past High Priests:</b> Larry O Bowen S. Brent Morris Raymond Denmark	Charles W. Lloyd Robert B. Malwitz, PGHP Ronald M. Rhine Mark Irwin	<b>Exaltations:</b>  <b>Reinstated:</b> Byrd Raby
<b>Demit:</b> William Boswell	<b>Deaths:</b>	<b>Suspensions:</b> Randolph Geck George Shlagel

## Appendix 2:

# Awards Presented at the 2023 Convocation

### **Grand High Priest Award 2022-2023**

Darryl Smith

### **General Grand Chapter Bronze Medal**

Dean A. Bert, III

### **G.G. Chapter Ritual Award**

None

### **Breast Plate Award**

None

### **White Tau**

Chris Thompson

### **Triple Tau**

Mike Raab

Mike Shrank

Jim Jolly

Bradley Thomas

Gordon Munholland

### **Lifetime Achievement**

Ken Robertson

Vernon Hubschman

### **Banner Chapter**

Concordia

## Appendix 3:

# York Rite Memorial Service 2023 Program

## YORKRITE MEMORIAL SERVICE

OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup> 2023



### SPONSORED BY:

GRAND CHAPTER OF RAM OF MARYLAND  
G. Andrew Martinze, GRAND HIGH PRIEST

GRAND COUNCIL OF R & S MASONS OF MARYLAND  
WILLIAM C. HARE, MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF MARYLAND  
JOHN H. AUSTIN, RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER

**YORKRITE OF MARYLAND MEMORIAL SERVICE**

**OFFICIATING: Grand Prelate, Charles A. Beckhardt Jr.**

**Grand Chaplain: A. Dean Burt                      Accompanist: SK Jeffery Hedges**

**WORDS OF WELCOME                                      GP, CHARLES BECKHARDT**

**PRELUDE: "BEYOND THE SUNSET"                      SK JEFFERY HEDGES**

**SCRIPTURES: JOHN 14 (Various verses)              GP, CHARLES BECKHARDT**

**OPENING PRAYER:    GC, A. DEAN BURT**

**SCRIPTURE: PSALM 23: (ALL)                              GP, CHARLES BECKHARDT**

**THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD I SHALL NOT WANT. HE MAKETH ME TO LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES: HE LEADETH ME BESIDE THE STILL WATERS. HE RESTORETH MY SOUL; HE LEADETH ME IN THE PATHS OF RIGHTOUSNESS FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE. YEA, THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH. I WILL FEAR NO EVIL; FOR THOU ART WITH ME. THY ROD AND THY STAFF THEY COMFORT ME; THOU PREPAREST A TABLE BEFORE ME IN THE PRESENCE OF MINE ENEMIES: THOU ANOINTEST MY HEAD WITH OIL: MY CUP RUNNETH OVER. SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY SHALL FOLLOW ME ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE; AND I WILL DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD FOREVER. AMEN**

**MEMORIAL RECOGNITION:                                      GC, A. DEAN BURT**

**ALL RISE AND BOW OUR HEADS FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**BELLS TOLL 12 TIMES    SK JEFFERY HEDGES**

**HMYN: "NEARER MY GOD TO THEE" (ALL SING)**

**CLOSING PRAYER: THE LORD'S PRAYER (ALL)              GC, A DEAN BURT**

**OUR FATHER, WHICH ART IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME. THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE, ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN. GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD, AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS, AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS, AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL. FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM AND THE POWER, AND THE GLORY, FOREVER AND EVER. AMEN**

**BENEDICTION: GC A. DEAN BURT**

**MAY THE PEACE THAT PASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING REST AND ABIDE WITH YOU NOW AND FOREVER, AMEN.**

**GP, CHARLES BECKHARDT**

**MAY THE BLESSINGS OF THE SUPREME ARCHITECTS OF THE UNIVERSE, GOD THE FATHER, GOD THE SON, AND GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT, CONTINUE TO BE WITHIN YOU AND REMAIN WITH YOU ALWAYS. AMEN**

**POSTLUDE: "IN THE GARDEN" SK JEFFERY HEDGES**

**IN MEMORIAL, WE HONOR AND REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING WHO HAVE LAID DOWN THEIR WORKING TOOLS DURING THE FOLLOWING PERIOD: NOVEMBER 1, 2022 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

Jerald Allen, PM	David Alt, Sr.	Howard Ashburn, Jr.
Donald Bales	Roger Brady	Gary Bricker
Robert Cage	James Conboy, PHP, PTIM	
James Cranford	Irvin Crowl, Jr.	James Davenport
Randolph Disney, MIPGM, REPGC		James Dixion
Edsel Dyer	Frederick Eckhardt	Essel Farlow, Jr.
James Fitzhugh	James Garcia	Pierre Gaulard
William Grau, Jr.	William Gyr	Edmund Haas, Sr.
Curtis Hess	Warren Hook	Timothy Keenan
Raymond Krampf	Aaron Lea, PM	Kenneth Lewis
Alan Lovelace	Henry McDonald	Charles Miller
James Morgan	Richard Mullinix	Philip Nicholson, Sr.
Norman Pepersqck, Jr.	Urban Peters, MIPGM-Md, MEPGH & RGPGC-DC	
Robert Phillips	James Plack	Howard Roe, PTIM
Ara Sahaigian	Gregory Santangelo	Frederick Schaich
Richard Seim PTIM	Page Shanklin	John Smith
James Snider	Charles Staehie	Destin Strader, DIM
Mervin Trice	Paul Triplett, Sr.	Bryan Troutman
Kenneth Wood	Joseph Yelton	John (Jack) Young MWPGM

## Officers of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Maryland From Date of Organization

Note: Grand Chapter of Maryland was organized on June 24, 1797.

Resuscitated as the Grand Chapter of Maryland and District of Columbia on January 21, 1907

Resuscitated as the Grand Chapter of Maryland District of Columbia on November 9, 1814

District of Columbia withdrew on January 24, 1824, and formed the Grand Chapter of the District Of Columbia.

May 19, 1842, District of Columbia Chapters received under the jurisdiction of Maryland in pursuance of the General Grand Chapter resolution passed September 14, 1841.

District of Columbia withdrew on March 24, 1867, and formed the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia

Elected at Stated Convocation	Grand High Priest	Deputy Grand High Priest	Grand King	Grand Scribe	Grand Treasurer	Grand Secretary	Grand Captain of the Host
1797	David Kerr					George L Grey	
1807	John Crawford	Oliver B Hayes	V Reintzel		McCormick	Robert Ranklin	Benjamin King
1814	Philip P Eckell	A McCormick	Peter Galt	Samuel Holt	John Ogston	Eli Simkins	Hezekiah Niles
1815	Philip P Eckell	A McCormick	Peter Galt	J. Davidson	John Ogston	Benjamin Edes	Hezekiah Niles
1816	A McCormick	Hezekiah Niles	George Myers	William O'Neale	John Ogston	Benjamin Edes	Henry Starr
1817	A McCormick	Hezekiah Niles	George Myers	William O'Neale	John Ogston	Benjamin Edes	Henry Starr
1818	Hezekiah Niles	John Rhea	George Myers	Benjamin G Orr	John Ogston	Benjamin Edes	Thomas Holliday
1820	Hezekiah Niles	John Rhea	George Myers	Benjamin G Orr	John Ogston	Benjamin Edes	Thomas Holliday
1820	Daniel Kurtz	JE. Jackson	Wm W Seaton	Jos K Stapleton	John Ogston	Benjamin Edes	Nicholas Blasdale
1822	Daniel Kurtz	JE Jackson	Wm W Seaton	Jos K Stapleton	John Ogston	Benjamin Edes	Nicholas Blasdale
1822	JE Jackson	Wm W Seaton	Jos K Stapleton	Nicholas Blasdale	John Ogston	Benjamin Edes	Henry Bestor
1824	JE Jackson	Jos K Stapleton	Ephraim Barker	John D Readell	John Ogston	Benjamin Edes	James F Houston
1824	JE Jackson	Jos K Stapleton	Ephraim Barker	John D Readell	John Ogston	Benjamin Edes	James F Houston



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1825	Jos K Stapleton	Ephraim Barker	Ortho H Williams	George Keyser	John Ogston	Thomas Phenix	William Bell
1826	Jos K Stapleton	Ephraim Barker	Ortho H Williams	George Keyser	John Ogston	Thomas Phenix	Caper Quynn
1827	Jos K Stapleton	Ephraim Barker	Ortho H Williams	George Keyser	John Ogston	Thomas Phenix	Eph Larrabee
1828	Jos K Stapleton	Ephraim Barker	George Keyser	James King	John Ogston	Thomas Phenix	Eph Larrabee
1829	Jos K Stapleton	George Keyser	James King	Thomas W Hall	John Ogston	Thomas Phenix	Eph Larrabee
1830	George Keyser	George W Haller	Thomas W Hall	HS Keatinge	John Ogston	Thomas Phenix	Eph Larrabee
1831	George Keyser	George W Haller	Thomas W Hall	HS Keatinge	Charles Howard	Thomas Phenix	Eph Larrabee
1832	Jos K Stapleton	George W Haller	Chris G Peters	Jesse T Peters	Charles Howard	Thomas Phenix	Walter Ball
1833	Jos K Stapleton	George W Haller	Christ G Peters	Jesse T Peters	Charles Howard	Samuel Keerl	Walter Ball
1834	Jos K Stapleton	George W Haller	Christ G Peters	Jesse T Peters	Charles Howard	Samuel Keerl	Walter Ball
1835	Jos K Stapleton	George W Haller	Christ G Peters	Jesse T Peters	Charles Howard	Samuel Keerl	Walter Ball
1836	Jos K Stapleton	Daniel Kurtz	Christ G Peters	Jesse T Peters	Charles Howard	Charles Gilman	Walter Ball
1837	Jos K Stapleton	Daniel Kurtz	Christ G Peters	Jesse T Peters	Charles Howard	Charles Gilman	Walter Ball
1838	Jos K Stapleton	Daniel Kurtz	Christ G Peters	Jesse T Peters	Charles Howard	Charles Gilman	Littleton Ayres
1839	Jos K Stapleton	Thomas Hayward	Christ G Peters	Jesse T Peters	Charles Howard	Charles Gilman	Littleton Ayres
1840	Jos K Stapleton	Walter Ball	Christ G Peters	James King	Charles Howard	Charles Gilman	Samuel Child
1841	Jos K Stapleton	Walter Ball	Christ G Peters	James King	Charles Howard	Joseph Robinson	Jesse T Peters
1842	Jos K Stapleton	Thomas W Hall	Christ G Peters	James King	Charles Howard	Joseph Robinson	John D Babb
1843	Jos K Stapleton	Walter Ball	Christ G Peters	Robert Keyworth	Charles Howard	Joseph Robinson	John Robinson
1844	Jos K Stapleton	Walter Ball	Christ G Peters	Robert Keyworth	Charles Howard	Joseph Robinson	John Robinson
1845	Jos K Stapleton	Walter Ball	Rober Keyworth	Robert Keyworth	Charles Howard	Joseph Robinson	John Robinson
1846	Jos K Stapleton	Walter Ball	Robert Keywroth	Thomas W Hall	Charles Howard	Joseph Robinson	CR Hardesty

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1847	Jos K Stapleton	Walter Ball	Benjamin B French	ES Courtney	Charles Howard	Joseph Robinson	CR Hardesty
1848	Jos K Stapleton	Benjamin B French	ES Courtney	ES Courtney	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	CR Hardesty
1849	Jos K Stapleton	Benjamin B French	ES Courtney	O Whittlesey	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	JB Thomas
1850	Benjamin B French	ES Courtney	O Whittlesey	O Whittlesey	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	EM Cunningham
1851	Benjamin B French	ES Courtney	Harlow H Heath	Harlow H Heath	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	EM Cunningham
1852	Benjamin B French	ES Courtney	Harlow H Heath	HN Steele	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	Herman H Heath
1853	Benjamin B French	ES Courtney	Harlow H Heath	HN Steele	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	ET Owens
1854	Benjamin B French	ES Courtney	Harlow H Heath	HN Steele	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	ET Owens
1855	ES Courtney	WM Smith	Harlow H Heath	HN Steele	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	GA Schwarzman
1856	ES Courtney	Robert Clarke	Charles Goodwin	Charles Goodwin	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	Herman W Heath
1857	ES Courtney	James Goszler	HN Steele	James Goszler	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	AW Russell
1858	James Goszler	JN McJilton	HN Steele	JN McJilton	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	AW Russell
1859	James Goszler	George M Lamb	HN Steele	George M Lamb	F Fickey Jr	Joseph Robinson	James G Smith
1860	James Goszler	George M Lamb	HN Steele	James Bruster	F Fickey Jr	WM Smith	James G Smith
1861	James Goszler	George M Lamb	HN Steele	James Bruster	F Fickey Jr	WM Smith	James G Smith
1862	JN McJilton	HN Steele	James Logue	James Bruster	Samson Cariss	Joseph Robinson	James G Smith
1863	John L Yeates	James G Smith	James Stirrat	WG Parkhurst	F Fickey Jr	WM Smith	Reuben A Holmes
1864	John L Yeates	James G Smith	Jacob H Medairy	WG Parkhurst	F Fickey Jr	WM Smith	Reuben A Holmes
1865	James G Smith	RA Holmes	WG Parkhurst	F Woodworth	F Fickey Jr	WM Smith	Andrew Glass

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1866	James G Smith	Wm A Wentz	Andrew Glass	Ed T Schultz	F Fickey Jr	WM Smith	CW Hancock
1867	John L Yeates	Charles H Ohr	Geo A Hanson	EB Barrett	F Fickey Jr	WM A Wentz	Wm E Hanna
1868	Charles H Ohr	James Logue	Ed T Schultz	Wm H Faulkner	F Fickey Jr	WM A Wentz	John A Hilbert
1869	Charles H Ohr	Ed T Schultz	Geo L McCahan	Philip S Field	F Woodworth	WM A Wentz	John A Hilberg
1870	Charles H Ohr	Ed T Schultz	Geo L McCahan	Philip S Field	F Woodworth	WM A Wentz	HL Emmons Jr
1871	Geo L McCahan	Philip S Field	James W Bowers	HL Emmons Jr	F Woodworth	WM A Wentz	Charles F Achey
1872	Geo L McCahan	James W Bowers	HL Emmons Jr	Charles F Achey	F Woodworth	WM A Wentz	D Claude Handy
1873	James W Bowers	HL Emmons Jr	Charles F Achey	D Claude Handy	F Woodworth	WM A Wentz	Robert K Martin
1874	James W Bowers	HL Emmons Jr	Charles F Achey	D Claude Handy	F Woodworth	WM A Wentz	Robert K Martin
1875	HL Emmons Jr	Charles F Achey	D Claude Handy	EL Parker Jr	F Woodworth	WM A Wentz	Robert K Martin
1876	Charles F Achey	John S Tyson	EL Parker Jr	EJ Oppelt	F Woodworth	WM A Wentz	Philip D Boyd
1877	John S Tyson	EL Parker Jr	EJ Oppelt	FJS Gorgas	Charles T Sisco	WM A Wentz	Wm F Cochran
1878	EL Parker Jr	EJ Oppelt	FJS Gorgas	Wm F Cochran	Charles T Sisco	WM A Wentz	Chas VS Levy
1879	EJ Oppelt	FJS Gorgas	Wm F Cochran	Chas VS Levy	Charles T Sisco	Geo L McCahan	George W Scheive
1880	FJS Gorgas	Wm F Cochran	Chas VS Levy	George W Scheive	Charles T Sisco	Geo L McCahan	Nathan Lehman
1881	Wm F Cochran	Chas VS Levy	George W Scheive	John M Carter	TJ Shryock	Geo L McCahan	HC Larrabee
1882	Chas VS Levy	George W Scheive	John M Carter	HC Larrabee	TJ Shryock	Geo L McCahan	CC Isaacs

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1883	George W Scheive	John M Carter	HC Larrabee	CC Isaacs	TJ Shryock	Geo L McCahan	Joseph F Hindes
1884	John M Carter	HC Larrabee	CC Isaacs	Joseph F Hindes	TJ Shryock	Geo L McCahan	T Sollers Waters
1885	John M Carter	HC Larrabee	CC Isaacs	Joseph F Hindes	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	T Sollers Waters
1886	HC Larrabee	CC Isaacs	Joseph F Hindes	Robert K Martin	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	William H Clark
1887	CC Isaacs	Joseph F Hindes	Robert K Martin	William H Clark	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	SL Stockbridge
1888	Joseph F Hindes	Robert K Martin	William H Clark	SL Stockbridge	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	W Nash Young
1889	Robert K Martin	William H Clark	SL Stockbridge	W Nash Young	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	Wm F Arnold
1890	William H Clark	SL Stockbridge	W Nash Young	Wm E Arnold	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	Edward R Trippe
1891	William H Clark	W Nash Young	Wm F Arnold	Edward R Trippe	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	Wm H Shryock
1892	W Nash Young	Wm E Arnold	Edward R Trippe	Wm H Shryock	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	George Cook
1893	Wm E Arnold	Edward R Trippe	Wm H Shryock	George Cook	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	Wm H Martin
1894	Edward R Trippe	Wm H Shryock	George Cook	Wm H Martin	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	Wm T Price
1895	Wm H Shryock	George Cook	Wm H Martin	Wm T Price	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	Daniel T Ordeman
1896	Wm H Shryock	George Cook	Wm H Martin	Wm T Price	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	Daniel T Ordeman
1897	George Cook	Wm H Martin	Wm T Price	Daniel T Ordeman	David C Avery	Geo L McCahan	James P Clark
1898	Wm H Martin	Daniel T Ordeman	David C Avery	Charles Clark	John M Carter	Geo L McCahan	J James Foble
1899	Daniel T Ordeman	David C Avery	Charles Clark	J James Foble	John M Carter	Geo L McCahan	Jos H Jackson
1900	David C Avery	Charles Clark	J James Foble	Jos H Jackson	John M Carter	Geo L McCahan	Chas McDonald Jr

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1901	Charles Clark	J James Foble	Jos H Jackson	Chas McDonald Jr	John M Carter	John H Miller	James F Allen
1902	J James Foble	Jos H Jackson	Chas McDonald Jr	James F Allen	John M Carter	John H Miller	William F Bevan
1903	Jos H Jackson	Chas McDonald Jr	James F Allen	William F Becan	John M Carter	John H Miller	Chas E Cochrane
1904	Chas McDonald Jr	James F Allen	William F Becan	Chas E Cochrane	David C Avery	John H Miller	John W Linthicum
1905	James F Allen	William F Becan	Chas E Cochrane	John W Linthicum	David C Avery	John H Miller	William B King
1906	William F Becan	Chas E Cochrane	John W Linthicum	William B King	David C Avery	John H Miller	Daniel J Emich
1907	Chas E Cochrane	John W Linthicum	William B King	Daniel J Emich	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	Charles B Finley
1908	John W Linthicum	William B King	Daniel J Emich	Charles B Finley	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	Gustav A Eitel
1909	William B King	Daniel J Emich	Charles B Finley	Gustav A Eitel	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	Eugene Hammond
1910	Daniel J Emich	Charles B Finley	Gustav A Eitel	Eugene Hammond	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	Chas E Postley
1911	Charles B Finley	Gustav A Eitel	Eugene Hammond	Chas E Postley	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	Edwin J Griffin
1912	Gustav A Eitel	Eugene Hammond	Thos J Shryock	Edwin J Griffin	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	Emmett L Pettit
1913	Eugene Hammond	Thos J Shryock	Edwin J Griffin	Emmett L Pettit	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	JH Ferd Hahn
1914	Thos J Shryock	Edwin J Griffin	Emmett L Pettit	J Ferd Hahn	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	Oliver C Wareheime
1915	Edwin J Griffin	Emmett L Pettit	J Ferd Hahn	Oliver C Wareheime	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	Chas C Homer Jr
1916	Emmett L Pettit	J Ferd Hahn	Oliver C Wareheime	Chas C Homer Jr	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	L Dorsey Gassaway
1917	J Ferd Hahn	Oliver C Wareheime	Chas C Homer Jr	L Dorsey Gassaway	Robert M Rother	John H Miller	LePage Cronmiller

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1918	Oliver C Wareheime	Chas C Homer Jr	L Dorsey Gassaway	LePage Cronmiller	Robert M Rother	CP Morningstar	William Mohr
1919	Chas C Homer Jr	L Dorsey Gassaway	LePage Cronmiller	William Mohr	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	Charles H Carroll
1920	L Dorsey Gassaway	LePage Cronmiller	William Mohr	Charles H Carroll	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	Dan F Billmyer
1921	LePage Cronmiller	William Mohr	Charles H Carroll	Dan F Billmyer	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	CP Morningstar
1922	William Mohr	Charles H Carroll	Dan F Billmyer	CP Morningstar	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	CW Zimmerman
1923	Charles H Carroll	Dan F Billmyer	CP Morningstar	CW Zimmerman	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	Warren S Seipp
1924	C.P. Morningstar	CW Zimmerman	Warren S Seipp	Jas M Rawlings	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	Roy Danzer
1925	CW Zimmerman	Warren S Seipp	Jas M Rawlings	Roy Danzer	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	Ernest Green
1926	Warren S Seipp	Jas M Rawlings	Roy Danzer	Ernest Green	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	Irving B Jackson
1927	Jas M Rawlings	Roy Danzer	Ernest Green	Irving B Jackson	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	Joseph S Haas
1928	Roy Danzer	Ernest Green	Irving B Jackson	Joseph S Haas	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	J Edward Collins
1929	Ernest Green	Irving B Jackson	Joseph S Haas	J Edward Collins	Robert M Rother	Gustav A Eitel	D Ross Vansant Jr
1930	Irving B Jackson	Joseph S Haas	J Edward Collins	D Ross Vansant Jr	Ernest Green	Gustav A Eitel	John H Lubbers
1931	Joseph S Haas	J Edward Collins	D Ross Vansant Jr	John H Lubbers	Ernest Green	Gustav A Eitel	William L Latch
1932	J Edward Collins	D Ross Vansant Jr	John H Lubbers	William L Latch	Ernest Green	Gustav A Eitel	RH Williams Jr
1933	D Ross Vansant Jr	John H Lubbers	William L Latch	RH Williams Jr	Ernest Green	Gustav A Eitel	HM Emmons
1934	John H Lubbers	William L Latch	RH Williams Jr	HM Emmons	Ernest Green	Gustav A Eitel	Grover L Michael
1935	William L Latch	RH Williams Jr	HM Emmons	Grover L Michael	Ernest Green	Gustav A Eitel	RW Worthington

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1936	RH Williams Jr	HM Emmons	Grover L Michael	RW Worthington	Ernest Green	Gustav A Eitel	Charles H Weldon
1937	HM Emmons	Grover L Michael	RW Worthington	Edwin S White	Ernest Green	Charles H Weldon	Gerald M Pine
1938	Grover L Michael	RW Worthington	Edwin S White	RGerald M Pine	Ernest Green	Charles H Weldon	Howard R Mass
1939	RW Wrothington	Gerald M Pine	Edgar I Whiteside	Howard R Mass	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	Edgar S Hubbert
1940	Gerald M Pine	Edgar I Whiteside	Howard R Mass	Edgar S Hubbert	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	John C Weiss
1941	Edgar I Whiteside	Howard R Mass	Edgar S Hubbert	John C Weiss	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	E Granville Shirley
1942	Howard R Mass	Edgar S Hubbert	John C Weiss	E Granville Shirley	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	Robt M Anderson
1943	Edgar S Hubbert	John C Weiss	E Granville Shirley	Robt M Anderson	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	Martin Koenig Jr
1944	John C Weiss	E Granville Shirley	Robt M Anderson	Martin Koenig Jr	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	John S Byers
1945	E Granville Shirley	Robt M Anderson	Martin Koenig Jr	John S Byers	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	Clarence M Young
1946	Robert M Anderson	Martin Koenig Jr	John S Byers	Clarence M Young	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	C Ellwood Smyrk
1947	Martin Koenig Jr	John S Byers	Clarence M Young	C Ellwood Smyrk	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	Edw R Saunders
1948	John S Byers	Clarence M Young	C Ellwood Smyrk	Edw R Saunders	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	Hanford L Sarles
1949	Clarence M Young	C Ellwood Smyrk	Edw R Saunders	Hanford I Sarles	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	Charles E Butler
1950	C Ellwood Smyrk	<b>Deputy Eliminated</b>	Edw R Saunders	Hanford I Sarles	Grover L Michael	Charles H Weldon	Charles E Butler
1951	Edward R Saunders		Hanford I Sarles	Charles E Butler	D Ross Vansant Jr	Charles H Weldon	J Herbert Caldwell
1952	Hanford L Sarles		Charles E Butler	J Herbert Caldwell	D Ross Vansant Jr	Charles H Weldon	Robert P Gatson
1953	Charles E Butler		J Herbert Caldwell	Robert P Gatson	D Ross Vansant Jr	Charles H Weldon	Albert R Herds
1954	J Herbert Caldwell		Albert R Herds	James H Falk	D Ross Vansant Jr	Charles H Weldon	George B Wells Jr

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1955	Albert R Herds		James H Falk	George B Wells Jr	D Ross Vansant Jr	Charles H Weldon	Bird H Dolby
1956	James H Falk		George B Wells Jr	Bird H Dolby	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Jos C Bryan III
1957	Chas H Weldon (Hon)						
1958	Bird H Dolby		Jos C Bryan III	W Johnson Bonner	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Harry F Robinson
1959	Jos C Bryan III		W Johnson Bonner	Harry F Robinson	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Carl J Wisner
1960	W Johnson Bonner		Harry F Robinson	Carl J Wisner	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Charles E Walters
1961							
1962	Harry F Robinson		Carl J Wisner	Charles E Walters	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	HF Luckabaugh
1963	Carl J Wisner		Charles E Walters	HF Luckabaugh	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Rocco Bernard
1964	Charles E Walters		HF Luckabaugh	Rocco Bernard	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Robert K Coulby
1965	HF Luckabaugh		Rocco Bernard	Robert K Coulby	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Roy V Ringler
1966	Rocco Bernard		Robert K Coulby	Roy V Ringler	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Edwin J Warwick
1967	Robert K Coulby		Roy V Ringler	Edwin J Warwick	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Cyril H York
1968	Roy V Ringler		Edwin J Warwick	Cyril H York	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	DF McGinnis
1969	Edw J Warwick		Cyril H York	DF McGinnis	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Wm M Koenig
1970	Cyril H York		DF McGinnis	Wm M Koenig	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Bennie G Owens
1970	Robert P Gatson (Hon)						
1971	D Franklin McGinnis		Wm M Koenig	Bennie G Owens	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Wm E Tabb III
1972	Wm M Koenig		Bennie G Owens	Wm E Tabb III	GM Daneker	D Ross Vansant Jr	Harry E Carmine



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1973	Bennie G Owens		Wm E Tabb III	S Flory Diehl	Leland C Noel	Leighton E Harrell	Louis A Dodson
1974	Wm E Tabb III		S Flory Diehl	Louis A Dodson	Leland C Noel	Leighton E Harrell	Norm G Williams
1975	S Flory Diehl		Norman G Williams	Edward W VanSant	Leland C Noel	Leighton E Harrell	Joseph H Wagner
1976	Norman G Williams		Edward W VanSant	Joseph H Wagner	Leland C Noel	Leighton E Harrell	Maxwell V Frye Jr
1977	Joseph H Wagner		Maxwell V Frye Jr	Willie E Phillips	Leland C Noel	Leighton E Harrell	Howard W Cantwell
1977	Edw W VanSant (Hon)						
1978	Maxwell V Frye Jr		Willie E Phillips	Howard W Cantwell	Leland C Noel	Leighton E Harrell	Luther J Bell
1979	Willie E Phillips		Howard W Cantwell	Luther J Bell	Leland C Noel	Leighton E Harrell	Robert B Atwell
1980	Howard W Cantwell		Luther J Bell	Robert B Atwell	Leland C Noel	William G Gulley	Russell S Brewer
1981	Luther J Bell		Robert B Atwell	Russell S Brewer	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	J Thos Middleton
1982	Robert B Atwell		Russell S Brewer	J Thos Middleton	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	Richard D Parker
1983	Russell S Brewer		J Thos Middleton	Calvin W Parker	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	Calvin W Parker
1984	Richard D Parker		Calvin W Parker	Edward Foreman Jr	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	James M Gardner
1984	J Thos Middleton (Hon)						
1985	Calvin W Parker		Edward Foreman Jr	James M Gardner	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	Marion F Rickard
1986	Edward Foreman Jr		James M Gardner	Marion F Rickard Jr	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	C Herbert Grauling Jr
1987	James M Gardner		Marion F Rickard Jr	C Herbert Grauling Jr	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	Thoams E Weir
1988	Marion F Rickard Jr		C Herbert Grauling Jr	Thomas E Weir	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	Henry Funk Jr
1989	C Herbert Grauling Jr		Thomas E Weir	Henry Funk Jr	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	Stephen J Ponzillo Jr
1990	Thomas E Weir		Henry Funk Jr	Stephen J Ponzillo Jrs	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	Robert B Woodside

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1991	Stephen J Ponzillo Jr		Henry Funk Jr	Robert B Woodside	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	Wilbert F Mowen
1992	Robert B Woodside		Wilbert F Mowen	Urban T Peters	HW Cantwell	William G Gulley	Matthew Racioppa
1992	William G Gulley (Hon)						
1993	Wilbert F Mowen		Urban T Peters	Matthew Racioppa	Edw A Foreman Jr	William G Gulley	Clifton R Friel
1994	Urban T Peters		Matthew Racioppa	Clifton R Friel	Edw A Foreman Jr	William G Gulley	Joseph F Chalker
1995	Matthew Racioppa		Clifton R Friel	Joseph F Chalker	Edw A Foreman Jr	William G Gulley	Randolph B Sayre
1996	Clifton R Friel		Joseph F Chalker	Randolph B Sayre	Edw A Foreman Jr	William G Gulley	Robert B Malwitz
1997	Joseph F Chalker		Randolph B Sayre	Robert B Malwitz	Roy E Haugh	William G Gulley	John O Quillen
1998	Randolph B Sayre		Robert B Malwitz	John O Quillen	Roy E Haugh	William G Gulley	Carl J Cicchetti
1999	Robert B Malwitz		John O Quillen	Carl J Cicchetti	Donald M Miller	William G Gulley	Royce A Watson
1999	Louis A Dodson (Hon)						
2000	John O Quillen		Carl J Cicchetti	Royce A Watson	Donald M Miller	Robert B Malwitz	Daniel L Crouse
2001	Carl J Cicchetti		Royce A Watson	Daniel L Crouse	Donald M Miller	Eugene D Racz	Vernon H Huebschman
2002	Royce A Watson		Daniel L Crouse	Vernon H Huebschman	Donald M Miller	Eugene D Racz	Milton H Arrington
2003	Daniel L Crouse		Vernon H Huebschman	Milton H Arrington	Donald M Miller	Eugene D Racz	Robert H McWilliams
2004	Vernon H Huebschman		Milton H Arrington	Robert H McWilliams	Donald M Miller	Eugene D Racz	Royce R Johnson
2005	Milton H Arrington		Stephen J Ponzillo III	Royce R Johnson	Donald M Miller	Eugene D Racz	Louis F Bandell Jr
2006	Stephen J Ponzillo III		Royce R Johnson	Louis F Bandell Jr	Donald M Miller	Vernon H Huebschman	Robert B Lumbert
2007	Royce R Johnson		Louis F. Bandell Jr	Robert B. Lumbert	Donald M. Miller	Vernon Huebschman	Robert H. McWilliams
2008	Louis F. Bandell Jr.		Robert B. Lumbert	R H. McWilliams	Donald M. Miller	Vernon H Huebschman	Joseph White

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2008 Changes				Clifton R. Friel			Richard Naegele
2009	Louis F. Bandell Jr.		Robert B. Lumbert	John B. Maclay	Donald M. Miller	Vernon H. Huebschman	Richard P. Naegele
2010	Robert B. Lumbert		John B. Maclay	Richard P. Naegele	John M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	Randall L. Watson
2011	Robert B. Lumbert		John B. Maclay	Richard P. Naegele	Johns M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	Randall L. Watson
2012	John B. Maclay, Jr.		Richard P. Naegele	Randall L. Watson	John M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	CoH no longer elected
2013	Richard P. Naegele		Randall L. Watson	Patrick A. Curtis	John M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	
2014	Randall L. Watson		Patrick A. Curtis	William C. Eppig	John M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	
2015	Randall L. Watson		Patrick A. Curtis	William C. Eppig	John M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	
2016	Patrick A. Curtis		William C. Eppig	Bruce G. Colburn	John M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	
2017	Patrick A. Curtis		William C. Eppig	Bruce G. Colburn	John M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	<b>Assistant Secretary</b>
2018	William C. Eppig		Bruce G. Colburn	Jeffrey L. Dill	John M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	Charles Matulewicz
2019	Bruce G. Colburn		Jeffrey L. Dill	Robert W. Chase	John M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	None
2020	Jeffrey L. Dill		Robert W. Chase	G. Andrew Martinez	John M. Lister	Vernon H. Huebschman	William C. Eppig
2021	Robert W. Chase		G. Andrew Martinez	Dennis Ewing	John M. Lister	William C. Eppig	<b>Secretary Emeritus</b>
2022	G. Andrew Martinez		Dennis Ewing	Rafael Rodriguez	John M. Lister	William C. Eppig	Vernon H. Huebschman
2023							