



The Kentucky Keystone



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*ME Companion Stewart F. Strickland
Grand High Priest Message*

Greetings fellow Companions;

It is with mixed emotions that I come to the end of my year as your Grand High Priest. Upon reflection, there are some things that I think we accomplished, yet some plans that never came to fruition. Either way, is time to turn the reigns over to others who are eager and wee-qualified to lead us into the future.

My heartfelt thanks goes to each of you for your hard work, dedication to Capitular Masonry this year. As Companion Trent is preparing to assume this position, I trust that you will give him the same cooperation that you gave to me.

Of course, I will continue to be around to assist you, and help you continue to grow as Royal Arch Masons and to prosper in your Chapters. I hope to see each of you at the Grand Session this month, but if not, God bless you and I will see you soon.

Fraternally,

Stewart F. Strickland

Grand High Priest, 2015-2016

September Education Talk

JESHUA, ZERUBBABEL AND HAGGAI

Jeshua

Jeshua was the first person chosen to be the High Priest after the return of the Jews from the Babylonian Captivity (Zechariah 6:9-14). According to the Biblical text, he inspired the momentum towards the reconstruction of the temple. He serves as proof of the importance and necessity of leadership who will lead the Craft to remain mindful of the need for trust in divine guidance when undertaking worthwhile endeavors.

Zerubbabel

Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, is a transliteration of the Babylonian name, Zeru-Babel, and means “Seed of Babylon,” referring to one who was born in Babylon. He is also referred to in the Bible by his Persian name, Sheshbazzar. Together, he and Jeshua led the first wave of those who returned from exile to rebuild the Temple. Zerubbabel was appointed Governor over the provinces in the region of Judah and Jerusalem by King Darius I of Persia. Zerubbabel figures prominently in the Prophecy of Haggai, as the Signet Ring worn by the Lord God, thus signifying that Zerubbabel was



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chosen and appointed by God to be his Royal representative to His people, having his full authority to direct the people in that great and glorious work. Zerubbabel can serve, for us, as a great example of leadership who governs with the highest integrity, but never with oppression or tyranny.

Haggai

Haggai was a prophet in Judah during the time of the rebuilding of the second temple in Jerusalem. He began his ministry as a prophet about sixteen years after the return of the first Jews to Judah. The work on the Temple had come to a halt because of trouble with the Samaritans. Through the efforts of Haggai and Zerubbabel, the people were aroused from lethargy, complacency, and feelings of defeat; and with renewed energy and enthusiasm, they were able to complete the work. Together with the support of Darius, who had then become the ruler of Persia, and who renewed the older agreements made by Cyrus, the temple was completed and dedicated four years later.

There is much more to be gleaned from the writings of Haggai, but concerning our ritual and tradition concerning the rebuilding of the Temple, no prophet ever appeared at a more critical juncture in the history of a people, to awaken the conscience and stimulate the enthusiasm of his compatriots in the continuation and completion of so great a work. Thus Haggai should serve as an example for us as Masons today, lest we, too, become lazy and complacent in completing the work that God has given us to undertake.

Reading and discussing this in open Chapter counts as an educational meeting on your annual inspection. Please record such in your minutes.)

Grand Session 2016 Kentucky York Rite Bodies

September 18, 2016- September 21, 2016

Embassy Suites by Hilton Lexington

1801 Newtown Pike
Lexington, Kentucky, 40511,
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Included with this edition of the Kentucky Keystone is a full program event schedule as well as ticket ordering information for those attending?

Please contact Grand Secretary Jim King with any questions.

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The Grand York Rite Bodies of Kentucky

Invites you to join us!

Grand Sessions 2016



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<http://embassysuites3.hilton.com/en/hotels/kentucky/embassy-suites-lexington-LEXESES/index.html>

Special room rate for guest attending our Grand Session \$112.95 + tax.

If booking online use group code YRK to get rate.

If Booking by phone use group Grand York Rite.



Monday September 19, 2016

*Grand Commandery K.T.
Annual Conclave*



Tuesday September 20, 2016

*Grand Council R. & S. M.
Annual Assembly*



Wednesday September 21, 2016

*Grand Chapter R.A.M.
Annual Convocation*

	<i>Hospitality</i>	<i>Men's Lunches</i>	<i>Ladies'</i>	<i>Banquets</i>
	<i>Room</i>		<i>Luncheons</i>	
<i>Commandery</i>	9-18-16	9-19-16 at Noon	9-19-16 at Noon	9-18-16 at 7:00 PM
<i>Council</i>	9-19-16	9-20-16 at Noon	9-20-16 at Noon	9-22-16 at 6:30 PM
<i>Chapter</i>	9-20-16	9-21-16 at Noon	9-21-16 at Noon	

We ask that as many of you, our Brothers that can please attend and go to the banquets and luncheons to show your support. Your support is necessary for us to continue to carry out the age old traditions of our craft.

Ticket Prices

Banquet \$40.00 and Luncheon \$22.00 a person.

It is preferred that you purchase your tickets in advance so that we can let the hotel know how many will be eating.

Please note that the Sunday night Banquet is not by invitation only everyone is welcome to attend.

If you have any questions please contact James King Grand Secretary/ Recorder's office at 859-209-4120 or grandrecorderky@yahoo.com you can speak with Jim or Noel



Grand York Rite of Kentucky

2016 Sessions

Embassy Suites Lexington
1801 Newtown Pike, Lexington, KY, US 40511
859-455-5000

September 18th – 21st



Grand Commandery Knights Templar

Sunday- September 18, 2016

1:00 p.m.	Office	Clark
1:00 p.m.	General Registration (Credentials)	Foyer 3
3:00 p.m.	Phil lathes Society	Bourbon
4:00 p.m.	Past Grand Commanders	Cold Stream 5

Grand York Rite of Kentucky

6:00 p.m.	Memorial Service Banquet	Cold Stream 1&2
7:00 p.m.	York Rite Memorial Service	Cold Stream 3

Monday-September 19, 2016

7:00 a.m.	Office	Clark
7:00 a.m.	Registration	Foyer 3
7:00 a.m.	Dep. Gr. Comm. Staff	Fayette
9:00 a.m.	Grand Commandery	Cold Stream 3
9:00 a.m.	Ladies Meet for Lincoln House trip	lobby
Noon	Sir Knights Lunch	Cold Stream 4&5
Noon	Lady's Luncheon	Cold Steam 1&2
12:45 p.m.	Golgotha Tabernacle	Fayette
12:45 p.m.	Centurion Tabernacle	Bourbon
2:00 p.m.	Officer Installation	Cold Steam 3
4:00 p.m.	Knights Preceptor	Cold Steam 3
4:00 p.m.	Knight Masons	Bourbon
7:00 p.m.	K.Y.C.H. Ky. Priory #25	Cold Stream 3



Grand Council Royal & Select Masters

Tuesday- September 20, 2016

7:00 a.m.	Office	Clark
7:00 a.m.	Registration	Foyer 3
7:00 a.m.	Deputy Grand Master's Staff	Fayette
7:00 a.m.	Ish Sodi	Cold Stream 3
9:00 a.m.	Grand Council	Cold Stream 3
Noon	Companions Lunch	Cold Stream 4&5
Noon	Lady's Luncheon	Cold Stream 1&2
1:00 p.m.	Silver Trowel	Fayette
2:00 p.m.	Officer Installation	Cold Stream 3

Grand York Rite of Kentucky

6:30 p.m.	GYR Banquet Entertainment and Introductions	Cold Stream 3
7:00 p.m.	Grand York Rite Banquet (Dinner)	Cold Stream 3



Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons

Wednesday- September 21, 2016

7:00 a.m.	Office	Clark
7:00 a.m.	Registration	Foyer 3
7:00 a.m.	Grand King's Staff	Fayette
7:00 a.m.	Order of High Priesthood	Cold Stream 3
9:00 a.m.	Grand Chapter	Cold Stream 3
11:30 a.m.	Lady's Luncheon	Cold Stream 4&5
Noon	Men's Fellowship Lunch	Cold Stream 1&2
1:00 p.m.	Past Grand High Priest	Bourbon
2:00 p.m.	Officer Installation	Cold Stream 3



GRAND YORK RITE BODIES OF KENTUCKY

2016 MENU



MEMORIAL SERVICE BANQUET

Sunday September 18, 2016

Salad
Buffet
Flank Steak or Grilled Chicken
Mashed Potato, Country Green beans
Rolls
Apple or Cherry Pie

SIR KNIGHTS LUNCH

Monday September 19, 2016

Kentucky Hot Brown
Corn Pudding
Carrot Cake

COMPANIONS LUNCH

Tuesday September 20, 2016

Potato Soup with topping bar
Club Sandwich on Wheat Bread
Cookies or Brownies

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Wednesday September 21, 2016

Open Face Roast Beef Sandwich
Cheddar Mashed Potatoes, Fruit Cup
Pecan Pie

GRAND YORK RITE BANQUET

Tuesday September 20, 2016

Salad
Parmesan Crusted Chicken
Roasted Red Potatoes, Broccoli & Carrot Medley
Rolls
Chocolate Cake or Cheesecake

COMMANDERY LADIES LUNCHEON

Monday September 19, 2016

Chicken Salad on a bed of Lettuce
Croissants / Fruit Cup
Carrot Cake

COUNCIL LADIES LUNCHEON

Tuesday September 20, 2016

Potato Soup with topping bar
Club Sandwich on Wheat Bread
Cookies or Brownies

CHAPTER LADIES LUNCHEON

Wednesday September 21, 2016

Tomato Basil Soup
Fresh Berry Salad with Grilled Chicken
Strawberry Sorbet



2016 Grand Sessions

York Rite of Kentucky

ORDER FORM

Title: _____ Name: _____

Lady (if she is accompanying you): _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ zip _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Jurisdiction _____ **(Do not enclose your voting Credentials with this form.)**

	# of Tickets	Price per Ticket	Total
<u>Sunday September 18,2016</u> Memorial Service Banquet		\$40.00	\$
<u>Monday September 19,2016</u> Sir Knights Lunch		\$22.00	\$
<u>Monday September 19,2016</u> Ladies Luncheon		\$22.00	\$
<u>Tuesday September 20,2016</u> Companions Lunch		\$22.00	\$
<u>Tuesday September 20,2016</u> Ladies Luncheon		\$22.00	\$
<u>Tuesday September 20,2016</u> York Rite Banquet		\$40.00	\$
<u>Wednesday September 21, 2016</u> Men's Fellowship Lunch		\$22.00	\$
<u>Wednesday September 21, 2016</u> Ladies Luncheon		\$22.00	\$
<u>Total of all tickets</u> _____			\$

Meal ticket reservations due in to Grand Recorder by September 9th

Lady will attend trip to Mary Todd Lincoln House

Lady will NOT attend trip to Mary Todd Lincoln House

Please Mark nights you will be staying at hotel

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
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(You will need to make your own reservation with Embassy Suites Lexington by Aug. 30th)

Please let us know if you have any special dietary needs the hotel will provide a suitable option.

Enclose payment with this form and Mail to:

James King
Grand Secretary/Recorder
400 N. 4th Street
Danville, KY 40422

Make Checks Payable to: **Grand Council of Kentucky York Rite**

Note: Out of State Grand High Priests, Grand Masters, and Grand Commanders please contact our office for a special form phone 859-209-4120 or by email grandrecorderky@yahoo.com Thank you.

The Grand Commandery of Kentucky, KJ

Will be sponsoring a trip for the Ladies attending

The Grand York Rite Session

On Monday September 19, 2016

To



No cost to you the trip will be paid for by Commandery

We will meet in the lobby of the Embassy Suite Hotel to leave for the tour at 9:00am
Tour Will Start at: 9:30 am and you will return to the hotel about 11:00 am so there will be time to
get to the Ladies Luncheon. We have a space on order form for you to mark for those who plan to
attend so that we know how many will attend.

We will have Vans for transportation provided by The Shriners.

For more information contact

Noel Stewart 859-209-4120 or grandrecorderky@yahoo.com

Accessibility: The Mary Todd Lincoln House is partially wheelchair accessible. The first floor of the museum can be reached via a handicap lift and is wheelchair navigable. The upper floors of the museum are not wheelchair accessible. A photo album of the upstairs is available for visitors who are unable to or choose not to tour the upstairs.