

DECEMBER 5, 2024- DECEMBER 8, 2024

JOINT Proclamation

Roland E. Powell Convention Center 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842

Princess Royale Oceanfront Resort 9110 Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, MD 21842

THE HONORABLE Noel C. Osborne, Sr., 33° MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

> **Chelly A. Jones** grand worthy matron

> **Carl C. Jones** GRAND WORTHY PATRON

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The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Maryland & Jurisdictions, Inc. 176TH ANNUAL GRAND LODGE COMMUNICATION

Myra Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star

128TH ANNUAL GRAND SESSION

DECEMBER 5, 2024- DECEMBER 8, 2024



RW Kevin L. Barney, Jr., 33° DEPUTY GRAND MASTER



RW William Davidson, III, 33° SENIOR GRAND WARDEN



RW Stewart Redfield, 33° GRAND TREASURER



RW Randolph S. Smith, Sr., 33° JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN



RW Rodney James, 32°° GRAND SECRETARY

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Notice is hereby given to all Elected Grand Lodge Officers, Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, and all Subordinate Lodges owing obedience to THE MOST WORSHIPFUL PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF MARYLAND, AND ITS JURISDICTION, INC., that the 176th Annual Communication will be held at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842 and the Princess Royale Oceanfront Resort 9110 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, Maryland 21842.

A Joint Memorial Service for deceased Brothers and Sisters will be held on Thursday, December 5, 2024 at 6:30 p.m., at the Princess Royale Oceanfront Resort 9110 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, Maryland 21842.

The 176th Annual Communication will be declared officially open at 9:00 a.m. on Friday December 6, 2024.

Among those who will be invited to extend greetings are outstanding members of the community, visiting Grand Masters and/or Representatives of Foreign Jurisdictions along with Heads of Concordant and Appendant Bodies of the Maryland Masonic Family Reception will begin at 10:00 a.m., on Saturday December 7, 2024.

REPORTS

Reports of the Regional Deputy Grand Masters & District Deputy Grand Masters must be submitted, in detail, to the **GRAND MASTER** on or before **7:00 p.m., October 31, 2024.** The following reports are to be completed, and in the office of the GRAND SECRETARY, not later than **7:00 p.m., October 31, 2024.**

- 1. Deputy Grand Master
- 2. Senior Grand Warden
- 3. Junior Grand Warden
- 4. Grand Treasurer
- 5. Grand Secretary
- 6. Board of Trustees
- 7. Finance Committee
- 8. Resolutions Committee
- 9. Archives & Library Committee
- 10. James A. Handy Research Lodge
- 11. Social Actions Committee
- 12. Appeals and Grievances
- 13. Chief of Staff

- 14. Knights of Pythagoras
- 15. Grand Historian
- 16. Scholarship Committee
- 17. Grand Lecturer
- 18. Grand Inspector
- 19. Wardens School of instruction
- 20. Committee on Foreign (CCFC)
- 21. T. H. Wise, Jr., Chip Program
- 22. Director of Safety & Security
- 23. Exemption Committee
- 24. Director of Veterans Affairs
- 25. Jurisprudence Committee
- 26. Community Engagement





Each Lodge is mandated to send its five principal officers (WM, SW, JW, Secretary and Treasurer) to the Annual Communication. The registration fee is \$225.00 for Early Registration per principal officer.

ALL TAXES AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS MUST BE PAID IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF THE ORDER. **ALL RETURNS MUST BE FILED WITH THE GRAND SECRETARY NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 16, 2024 WIITH FEES**, PRIOR TO THE CONVENING OF THE GRAND LODGE SESSION. FAILURE TO MEET THIS REQUIREMENT WILL DISQUALIFY THE LODGE FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE ANNUAL SESSION IN THEIR OFFICIAL CAPACITY. PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT SECRETARY'S AND TREASURER'S WORKSHOPS WILL BE HELD AT THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

Each Lodge shall send to the office of the GRAND SECRETARY no later than October 16, 2024, names of the three persons who will represent the Lodge at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge to include the Registration Fee for each representative.

SPECIAL NOTICES

All complaints, appeals, etc., must be filed in the office of the Grand Secretary at least ten days prior to the convening of the Grand Lodge Session. Otherwise, they will not be permissible under the rules of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Lodge of the State of Maryland. (See page 18, Article XV, Sec 1). All Resolutions will be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

IMPORTANT: All Lodges will pay a Semi-Annual Per Capita Tax of \$25.00 per member plus \$20.00 per member for the Scholarship Fund. The Semi-Annual Per-Capita Tax and Scholarship Fund total is \$35.00 per member. You are to pay \$25.00 for each member on your roll for the Semi-Annual Trustees' Maintenance Assessment. This amount is applied for each member on roll at the time of filing the Lodge's returns with the Grand Lodge THIS year and not on the membership roll as reported LAST year.

The Worshipful Masters of the various Lodges are hereby required to complete their work for the year and to make a full report to the Grand Master. ALL TAXES MUST BE PAID so that there will be no question about seating delegates from the Subordinate Lodges.





PLEASE TAKE DUE NOTICE AND BE SO GOVERNED

MASONIC DRESS

Absolutely no Bluetooth Devices or Earrings while in Masonic dress.

Thursday – December 5, 2024 – Masonic Dress with White Apron & Gloves

Friday - December 6, 2024 - Masonic Dress with Regalia

Friday Night Reception - Masonic Dress without Regalia

<u>Saturday - December 7, 2024</u> - Grand Lodge Officers Tails or Tuxedo with Black Accessories with Regalia. All others, Masonic Dress.

Saturday Night - Grand Master's Reception MWGM's, Dignitaries (Invitation Only)

Sunday - December 8, 2024 - Masonic Dress with Regalia

I wish to express my deep and sincere appreciation to the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge for the excellent work they are doing, as well as to all Department Heads of our Masonic Family for the cooperation given by the various Bodies during the past year.





ELECTED GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

M.W. Noel C. Osborne, Sr. R.W. Kevin L. Barney R.W. William Davidson, III R.W. Randolph S. Smith, Sr. R.W. Stewart Redfield R.W. Rodney James Grand Master Deputy Grand Master Senior Grand Warden Junior Grand Warden Grand Treasurer Grand Secretary

PAST GRAND MASTERS

M.W. Melvin M. Thorpe M.W. Lee A. Taylor, Jr. M.W. Emanuel J. Stanley M.W. LeOtha N. Hull M.W. Robin Griffith, Sr. M.W. John R. Woodbridge M.W. Andrew Pryor M.W. Lonsdale E. Skinner M.W. Milton A. Jews M.W. Jeffery L. Mullen M.W. Christopher V. Mack M.W. Daryl X. Wise M.W. Ronald M. Venable, Sr. M.W. Kenneth Cloud M.W. Isaac B. White M.W. Leon Beard M.W. Van R. Youngblood M.W. Willard Beach M.W. Robert J. Poindexter * M.W. Eastern G. Stewart, Jr.*

M.W. Paul A. Smith, Jr. M.W. Steven G. Collier M.W. Philip S. Lewis, Sr. M.W. Rainier C. Harvey, Sr. M.W. Harold Gordon M.W. Garnett Hall M.W. Eddie L. Harris M.W. Carlos Johnson M.W. Nathaniel J. McFadden, Sr. M.W. Jessie J. Shanks, Sr. M.W. Charles Owens M.W. Kenneth W. Parker M.W. Maurice M. Wood, Jr. M.W. Melvin J. Shorter M.W. James L. Vaughan M.W. David Crawford M.W. Roosevelt L. Jordan, Jr. M.W. Thomas H. Wise, Jr.* M.W. Leslie V. McCullom* M.W. Herbert Stevenson*

*DECEASED





PAST ELECTED GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

R.W. Wilbert Cooper R.W. Reginald Jefferies R.W. Donald G. Gaither*

Past Grand Treasurer Past Grand Treasurer Grand Treasurer Emeritus

*DECEASED

REGIONAL DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS AND ASSISTANTS

R.W. Victor Smack R.W. James W. Booker M.W. Willard N. Beach R.W. Barry Hackey, Sr. R.W. Frank Wright, Jr. R.W. David M. Pollard R.W. Jerome Albright Reg. Deputy Grand Master (East) Reg. Deputy Grand Master (North) Reg. Deputy Grand Master (South) Reg. Deputy Grand Master (West) Asst. Regional DGM (North) Asst. Regional DGM (South) Asst. Regional DGM (West)

REGIONAL DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS-AT-LARGE

R.W. Dwayne E. Wright, Sr. R.W. Julio A. Martinez R.W. Walter E. Hynson, Jr. R.W. Kevin Roy R.W. Michael E. Haynie R.W. Kevin E. Cosby, Sr. R.W. Kevin A. Dixon, Jr. R.W. Odell Wilson

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

| District No. 1 | R.W. Michael M. Hughes, DDGM |
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| | R.W. Timothy J. Battle, ADDGM |
| | R.W. Kenneth C. Fagan, ADDGM |
| District No. 2 | R.W. Darryl Holt, DDGM |
| District No. 3 | R.W. Marvin J. Council, DDGM |
| | R.W. William C. Dawkins, ADDGM |
| | R.W. Vincent Rawlings, ADDGM |
| District No. 4 | R.W. Harold Robinson, DDGM |
| | R.W. Duron J. Haynesworth, ADDGM |
| District No. 5 | R.W. Gerald Battle, DDGM |
| | R.W. Francis D. Harris, ADDGM |





| District No. 6 | R.W. Mac C. McClarin, DDGM |
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| | R.W. Joshua J. Slack, Sr., ADDGM |
| District No. 7 | R.W. James Thompson, DDGM |
| District No. 8 | R.W. Calvin Leaks, Sr., ADDGM |
| District No. 8 | R.W. Jabbar Mills, DDGM R.W. Joseph Marshall, ADDGM |
| District No. 9 | R.W. Rodney D. Aytch, DDGM |
| District No. 9 | R.W. Antonio C. Sturgis, ADDGM |
| District No. 10 | R.W. Antonio C. Stargis, ADDOM R.W. Roderic R. Mauldin, DDGM |
| District No. 10 | R.W. Stacy Merriwether, ADDGM |
| District No. 11 | R.W. Stacy Mentwether, ADDOM R.W. Harry Conway, DDGM |
| District No. 11 | R.W. Andrew Bratcher, ADDGM |
| District No. 12 | M.W. Eddie L. Harris, DDGM |
| | R.W. Thaddeus V. Butler, ADDGM |
| | (Germany, Holland, Belgium) |
| District No. 13 | M.W. Lonsdale E. Skinner, DDGM |
| | R.W. Lawrence Carter, |
| | ADDGM (United Kingdom) |
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| District No. 14 | M.W. Carlos Johnson, DDGM |
| | R.W. Michael McKnight, ADDGM |
| | (Italy) |
| District No. 15 | R.W. Jafaru K. Ali Muhammad, DDGM |
| | R.W. Timothy Ames, ADDGM |
| District No. 16 | R.W. John R. Credle, DDGM |
| | R.W. Marc Rollins, ADDGM |
| | R.W. Everett Smith, ADDGM |
| District No. 17 | R.W. Johnny Rogers, DDGM |
| | R.W. Michael James, |
| | ADDGM (Middle East) |
| District No. 18 | R.W. Leonard Smith, DDGM |
| | R.W. Dumuria Keller, ADDGM |
| District No. 19 | R.W. Anthony Mumford, DDGM |
| | R.W. Steven Mills, ADDGM |





DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS-AT-LARGE

R.W. Bouveia Porter (Caribbean)
R.W. Rouse B. Payne (U.S. Virgin Islands)
R.W. Brian Didlake (TN)
R.W. Reggie Brown (AL)
R.W. Leroy King (MD)
R.W. Michael Oneferu-Bey (DR)
R.W. Richard L. Riggins, III (NM)
R.W. Jerry T. Witcher (VA)

- R. W. David Wiliams (PA)
- R.W. Jeremiah McMiller (GA)
- R.W. Jimmy Surles (TX)
- R.W. Fleming D. Mitchell (TX)*
- R.W. Michael B. Allen (NY)
- R.W. Francis Riddick (DE)
- R.W. Ivey Cherry (NC)
- R.W. Derek Young (Trinidad /Tobago)

*DECEASED





APPOINTED GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

MWPGM Andrew Pryor R.W. Duane Levy, Sr. R.W. Darryl Jefferson R.W. Charles Hobson, Sr. M.W. David Crawford R.W. Roosevelt Rogers R.W. Purnell J. Carter, Sr. R.W. Otis D. Wilson R.W. Bishop Orlando A. Wilson R.W. Walter J. Harvey, III R.W. Maurice P. McDaniel R.W. David L. Beatty, Sr. R.W. Nelson Moody R.W. Keith Butler R.W. Charles Hobson, Jr. R.W. Charles Curtis R.W. Rhamel Fuller R.W. Tony W. Torain, II R.W. Brian L. Watkins **R.W.** Marc Rollins R.W. Alfred Cotton R.W. Reginald Baker R.W. Christopher Strambler R.W. Larry S. Gibson R.W. Stuart O. Simms, Esq. R.W. A. Dwight Pettit, Esq. R.W. Gilbert Davidson M.W. Christopher Mack R.W. Jack Jones R.W. Joshua P. Roberson R.W. Seymour Chambers M.W. Garnett Hall R.W. Randall Craig, Esq. R.W. Kweisi Mfume R.W. Talmadge Branch R.W. Kurt Schmoke

Chief of Staff Deputy Chief of Staff Grand Lecturer **Deputy Grand Lecturer** Grand Inspector Deputy Grand Inspector Grand Parliamentarian **Deputy Grand Parliamentarian** Grand Chaplain Deputy Grand Chaplain Grand Marshal Senior Grand Deacon Junior Grand Deacon Senior Grand Steward Junior Grand Steward Grand Standard Bearer Grand Pursuviant Grand Musician Grand Tyler President, Board of Trustees Vice Pres., Board of Trustees Chief of Security and Safety Deputy Director of Security and Safety Legal Advisor to the MWGM Grand Legal Advisor Grand Legal Advisor C.C. of F.C. **Deputy Grand Treasurer Deputy Grand Secretary** Grand Auditor Grand Historian Chair, Appeals & Grievances Chair, Jurisprudence Committee **Political Affairs Political Affairs Political Affairs**





R.W. Julian Jones R.W. Boyd Rutherford R.W. Major F. Riddick **R.W. Bernard Jennings** R.W. Arthur Ellis R.W. Kenneth Fagan R.W. Shannon V. Corbett Bro. John Rudasill R.W. Harry T. Conway R.W. Willie A. Smith R. W. Lewis Williams R.W. Dr. Kevin D. Claiborne R.W. Carlos E. Tingle R.W. Byron Holly R.W. Bryce Gaylor **R.W.** Marc Rollins R.W. Sidney J. Disch R.W. Kenneth Fagan P.M. Michelle Dowleyne R.W. Stanley R. Conver R.W. Bryan N. Walker R.W. Jerome Albright R.W. Henry Ward R.W. Joseph K. Carpenter R.W. Kevin E. Cosby, Sr. R.W. Kevin A.' Dixon, Jr. R.W. Walter E. Hynson, Jr. R.W. Dwayne E. Wright, Sr. R.W. James A. Stokes R.W. Stephen J. Regester R.W. Willie A. Miller R.W. Clayton Taylor R.W. Michael K. Johnson

Political Affairs Political Affairs Political Affairs Political Affairs Political Affairs Director Membership Relations James A. Handy Research Lodge Grand Medical Director Assistant Grand Medical Director Grand Photographer Chair, Committee on Archives Director of KOP Director of CHIP Director of Grand Lodge Website Deputy Director of Grand Lodge Website Director of Social Media **Director of Social Actions Director of Membership Relations** Director of Veterans Affairs Director of Masonic Education Southern Regional Deputy Liaison (OES) Western Regional Deputy Liaison (OES) Eastern Regional Deputy Liaison (OES) Northern Regional Deputy Liaison (OES) Special Assist. to MWGM Osborne Special Assist. to MWGM Osborne Special Assist. to MWGM Osborne Special Assist. to DGM Barney Special Assist. to SGW Davidson Special Assist. to JGW Smith Special Assist. to JGW Smith Special Assist. to JGW Smith Grand Lecturer Emeritus





REGISTRATION

Registration fees and forms including, Order of the Eastern Star members, must be forwarded to the Registration Committee, Attn: RW James A. Stokes, MWPHGL, 1307 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, MD 21217.

Registration Fee

EARLY REGISTRATION IS \$225.00 -- Ends October 16th

LATE REGISTRATION IS \$275.00 from October 17th - November 17th

ON-SITE REGISTRATION IS \$400.00

ADDITIONAL RECEPTION TICKET IS \$45.00

Personal checks will not be accepted at <u>ON-SITE</u> registration. Only Cash, Money Order, Certified Check, or On-line Payments will be accepted.

Included in the fee is a badge, kit, and lunch tickets for Friday and Saturday and one ticket for Friday Night's Awards Reception and Dance.

LINK FOR HOTEL RESERVATION(S)

Reservations can be made using the following Hotel Links:

Princess Royale Oceanfront & Conference Center - 410-524-7777

Overflow Hotel information will be provided thru the Secretary Tool





| Date & Time | Function | Location | Meeting Room |
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| Thursday December | 5, 2024 | | |
| 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Registration | Princess Royale Hotel | Aruba Ballroom (Lower Level) |
| 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM | Joint Memorial Service | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom - (1st Floor) |
| 9:00 PM | Grand Master's VIP Dinner (Invitation Only) | Princess Royale Hotel | TBD |
| 9:00 PM | Joint Hospitality | Princess Royale Hotel | Caribe Ballrooms |
| Friday, December 6, 2 | 2024 | · | |
| 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Registration | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM | Grand Master's Breakfast (Invitation Only) | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom - (1st Floor) |
| 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM | Joint Devotional Service | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Grand Lodge Annual Session | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 8:30 AM | Reception of Grand Master | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 8:45 AM | Reception of MWPGMs | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 9:00 AM | Roll Call of Grand Lodge Off | icers Constituent Lodges | |
| 9:20 AM | Annual Reports | | |
| 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM | Lunch | Princess Royale Hotel | Pool Area |
| 2:00 PM | LOI | Princess Royale Hotel | Eleuthera Ballroom |
| 2:00 PM | WM Training | Princess Royale Hotel | Dominica Ballroom |
| 2:00 PM | Grand Inspector Training | Princess Royale Hotel | Cayman Ballroom |
| 2:00 PM | DDGM Workshop | Princess Royale Hotel | Aruba Ballroom |
| 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Secretary Tool Training | Princess Royale Hotel | Caribe Ballroom |
| 6:30 PM - 10:00 PM | Joint Awards Reception (Masonic Dress) | Princess Royale Hotel | Pool Area |
| Saturday, December | 7, 2024 | | |
| 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Registration | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM | Grand Master's Breakfast (Invitation Only) | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom |
| 7:00 AM - 7:30 AM | Joint Devotional Service | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Grand Lodge Annual Session | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 8:00 AM | Reception of Grand Master | | • |
| 8:30 AM | Elections | | |
| 10:00 AM | Receive Visiting Jurisdictions | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 10:45 AM | Receive Heads of Concordant and Appendant Bodies | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 11:00 AM | Grand Master's Address | | |
| 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM | Lunch | Princess Royale Hotel | Pool Area |





| Date & Time | Function | Location | Meeting Room |
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| 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM | Grand Master's Lunch VIP (Invitation Only) | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom |
| 5:00 PM | Day Party | Princess Royale Hotel | Pool Area |
| Sunday, December 7, 2 | 2024 | | |
| 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM | Grand Master's Breakfast (Invitation Only) | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom |
| 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM | Joint Devotional Service | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom |
| 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM | Grand Lodge Session | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom |
| 11:30 AM | Installation & Ritualistic Closing | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom |

***Vendors will be in the Princess Royale Hotel on the Lower Level

***Joint Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter Hospitality will be held at the Princess Royale Hotel in the Caribe Ballrooms and will be open when there are no Grand Lodge meetings or events in effect on Friday and Saturday.

The QR code to view Session Reports and the Agenda will be sent out thru the Secretary Tool

Given under my hand and the seal of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Maryland and its Jurisdiction, Inc., the fifth day of August 2024.

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The Honorable Noel C. Osborne, Sr. 33 Most Worshipful Grand Master





By virtue of the power in us vested, I, Chelly A. Jones, Grand Worthy Matron, and I, Carl C. Jones, Grand Worthy Patron, do hereby proclaim the convening of the One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth Annual Grand Session of Myra Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Prince Hall Affiliated, Maryland and its Jurisdiction, Inc., *on Thursday December 5, 2024 through Sunday December 8, 2024 at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842 and the Prince Royale Oceanfront Resort 9110 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, Maryland 21842.* The 128th Annual Grand Session is open to all members in good standing of the Order of the Eastern Star. We encourage the participation of all Sisters and Brothers.

Voting

Those empowered to vote at the Annual Grand Sessions of Myra Grand Chapter are identified in accordance with Myra Grand Chapter Constitution, Article V – Membership, Section 2. On matters which may require vote by ballot, every voting member present shall be required to vote in accordance with Myra Grand Chapter Constitution, Article X, Section 7, Part AE.

Representatives of Constituent Chapters

In accordance with Myra Grand Chapter Constitution and By-Laws, Article VI, Section 9A, the top six officers of each Constituent Chapter are required to register for the Semi and Annual Grand Sessions of Myra Grand Chapter. The "top six officers" for a Constituent Chapter are defined as Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron, Associate Patron, Conductress and Associate Conductress. If one of these representatives will not be in attendance, they and their proxy must be registered.

Proxies

Submissions of Proxy for voting must be:

- a) in accordance with Constitution, Article VI, Sections 9 & 10
- b) submitted in writing
- c) submitted by the Constituent Chapter's Worthy Matron or Secretary
- d) received into the office of the Grand Secretary no later than October 31, 2024

If both the Representative of a Constituent Chapter **and** the member identified as proxy for that representative are not appropriately registered, then the proxy will not be accepted.

Jurisprudence and Recommendations

All items to be considered at the 128th Annual Grand Session must be received no later than October 31, 2024. Recommendations should be submitted to Myra Grand Chapter, in accordance with published procedure (March 25, 2024), and sent electronically to Jurisprudence@myragrand.org for consideration.





Committee Reports

Each Grand Chapter Officer and Chairperson listed in the following agenda under "**Grand Officers & Committee Reports**" shall submit a complete report to the Grand Secretary no later than **October 31, 2024.** Late reports will not be included in the electronic reports file.

Election Reports must be uploaded to the Secretary's Tool within 10 days of the election of officers.

Annual Returns

Annual Returns must be uploaded to the Secretary's Tool by **November 1, 2024**. Returns not uploaded by that date will be subject to a **\$50.00 fine** assessed to the Chapter. A copy of the recapitulation Page with check for assessments amount is also due to the Grand Secretary by that date.

Credentials

Credentials Reports must be uploaded to the Secretary's Tool by November 1, 2024. The representative fee of \$12.00 is also due to the Grand Secretary NLT October 31, 2024. An additional \$50 fine will be assessed to the Chapter for late Credential Reports.





Memorial Plants

Each Constituent Chapter is required to provide a plant to honor <u>ALL</u> deceased members. Memorial plants must be delivered to the Roland E. Powell Convention Center on Friday morning, **December 6, 2024 BEFORE 8AM.** Worthy Matrons are asked to remove all plants at the close of the Session on Saturday, December 7, 2024

Dress

- Sisters: All Grand Chapter Officers (Elected and Appointed), Past Grand Matrons and Constituent Chapter Representatives will wear long, pure white with the appropriate regalia. All other Sisters may wear either below-the-knee or long pure white. All jewelry must be white, and not adornments of any kind will be worn on the hair or on the face.
- Brothers: Masonic dress with appropriate regalia.
- **Headdress**: Permitted for religious or medical purposes only and must meet the guidelines specified in Article XXIII, Section 3 of the Constitution.

Members inappropriately attired will not be allowed in the Session.

Deadlines:

Please adhere to all requested deadlines. All checks for Registration must be sent to the Registration Committee, Attn: RW James A. Stokes, MWPHGL, 1307 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, MD 21217. Checks for Annual Returns and Credentials must be made payable to **Myra Grand Chapter, OES, PHA.**





ELECTED GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

PM Chelly A. Jones RW Carl C. Jones PM Robbie Chrishon Skinner **RW** Marcilus Jolly PM Juanita M. Brinkley-Hall PM Robin R. Wilson PM Adele E. Osborne PM Angela R. Tillman PM Nicole Y. Duppins PM LaTia Jones PM Claudette Yerby PM Desirae Williams **PM Rebecca Setters** PM Velma Honaker PM Linda Connor PM Adrien Creecy-Starks PP Bobby Glen

Grand Worthy Matron Grand Worthy Patron Grand Associate Matron Grand Associate Patron Grand Conductress Grand Associate Conductress Grand Treasurer Grand Assistant Treasurer Grand Secretary Grand Fiscal Secretary Grand Assistant Fiscal Secretary Grand Assistant Secretary Grand Chairman of Trustees Grand Trustee – South Grand Trustee – North Secretary/Treasurer/State Charity Assistant Secretary/Treasurer/State Charity

PAST GRAND WORTHY MATRONS

PGWM Virginia B. Vauls PGWM Frances W. Parker PGWM Dorothy V. Palmer PGWM Mary T. James PGWM Joyce S. Venable PGWM Juanita L. Clarke PGWM Faye H. Williams PGWM Carol D. Simon Martin PGWM Bettye T. McLeod PGWM Lillie M. Jones PGWM Barbara J. Henderson PGWM Carmen F. Kearney PGM Evelyn Buford PGM Dorothy S. Camper PGM Elizabeth M. Naylor PGM F. Victoria Hutt-Scott PGM Janelle Pittman

PGM Mable L. Bratcher PGM Bonnie Burger PGM Shirley M. Price PGM Gwendolyn A. Moore PGM Altamesa Pankey PGM Joycelyn Hill Johnson PGM Glendola Bowen **PGM Beatrice Sconion** PGM Janice A. Pollock PGM Joan D. Campbell PGM Joyce W. Howard PGM LaVerne Evans PGM Olivia Lomax PGM Paula Eason PGM Rebecca L. Setters PGM Rosemary Hudson PGM Jeanette Randall





PAST GRAND WORTHY PATRONS

PGWP Michael W. Marshall PGWP Ernest R. Thomas, Sr. PGWP Thomas Phillips, Jr. MWPGM Lee A. Taylor, PGWP PGWP James W. Skinner PGWP Kenneth S. Turner PGWP Michael E. Jones, Sr. PGWP Robert E. Williams PGWP Robert E. Williams PGWP Kevin Cunningham PGWP Roscoe A. Murray PGWP Jeffery M. Jones PGWP Robert K. Perry PGWP Paul Kearney, Jr. PGP Gregory D. Purnell PGP Andre Thomas MWPGM Melvin M. Thorpe, PGP MWPGM Emanuel J. Stanley, PGP PGP Theodore R. Chase, Jr. PGP Joshua J. Slack, Sr. PGP Millard Reid MWGM Noel C. Osborne, Sr., PGP

DISTRICT DEPUTIES

District Deputy Grand Matrons (DDGM), District Deputy Grand Associate Matrons (DDGAM) and District Deputy Grand Patrons (DDGP)

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| District 1 | DDGM | PM Dr. Cecilia Vandervall |
| | DDGAM | PM Linda Conner |
| | DDGP | PGWP Michael Jones |
| District 2 | DDGM | PM Latanza G. Wilson |
| | DDGAM | PM Nikea Peyton-Whitfield |
| | DDGP | PP Marshall Jones |
| District 3 | DDGM | PM Olivia Hill |
| | DDGAM | PM Ruby Love |
| | DDGP | PP Bryan Walker |
| District 4 | DDGM | PM Jacqueline Veeney |
| | DDGAM | PM April Lewis |
| | DDGP | PP Lawrence J. Mercer |
| District 5 | DDGM | PM Sheila Kilgoe |
| | DDGAM | PM Althea V. Foreman |
| | DDGP | PP Henry Ward |
| District 6 | DDGM | PM Joyce Dyson |
| | DDGAM | PM Sharon Hines |
| | DDGP | PP Mark Pinkney |
| District 7 | DDGM | PM Dr. Keairra A. Adams |
| | DDGAM | PM Jinaki Green |
| | DDGP | PP Omar Smith |
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DISTRICT DEPUTIES

District Deputy Grand Matrons (DDGM), District Deputy Grand Associate Matrons (DDGAM) and District Deputy Grand Patrons (DDGP)

| District 8 | DDGM | <vacant></vacant> |
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| | DDGAM | <vacant></vacant> |
| | DDGP | MWPGM Eddie Harris |
| District 9 | DDGM | PM Margerite S. Baker |
| | DDGAM | PM Kenise Lewis |
| | DDGP | WP Kevin Dixon |
| | | |

APPOINTED GRAND CHAPTER FLOOR OFFICERS

| Grand Adah |
|-------------------------------------|
| Grand Ruth |
| Grand Esther |
| Grand Martha |
| Grand Electa |
| Grand Christian Flag |
| Grand US Flag |
| Grand OES Flag |
| Grand Marshal in the East |
| Grand Marshal in the West |
| Assistant Grand Marshal (East) |
| Assistant Grand Marshal (West) |
| Grand Chaplain |
| Grand Assistant Chaplain |
| Grand Warder |
| Grand Assistant Warder |
| Grand Assistant Warder |
| Grand Sentinel |
| Grand Assistant Sentinel |
| Grand Musician |
| Grand Assistant Musician (recorded) |
| Grand Assistant Musician (recorded) |
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SPECIAL GRAND CHAPTER APPOINTMENTS

PGWM Joycelyn Johnson PGWM LaVerne Evans PM Daphne Wanzer PM Joylyn Y. Etheridge PGWM Jeanette Randall Grand Representative near the Grand East and DC Grand Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence Special Assistant to the GWM Special Assistant to the GWP Chief of Staff

GRAND INSPECTORS

PGWM Carol D. Simon-Martin, Grand Inspector

| Deputy Grand Inspector | District 1 | PM Courtney Gardner |
|------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| Deputy Grand Inspector | District 2 | PP Marshall Jones |
| Deputy Grand Inspector | District 3 | PP Jerome Albright |
| Deputy Grand Inspector | District 4 | PM Jacqueline Veeney |
| Deputy Grand Inspector | District 5 | PM Edith Douglass |
| Deputy Grand Inspector | District 6 | PM Daphne Wanzer |
| Deputy Grand Inspector | District 7 | PM Shirley Singleton |
| Deputy Grand Inspector | District 8 | VACANT |
| Deputy Grand Inspector | District 9 | PM Vanessa S. Thompson |

GRAND LECTURERS

PP Eugene Bradford, Sr., Grand Lecturer

| Deputy Grand Lecturer | Leadership and Administration | PM Venus Jones |
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| Deputy Grand Lecturer | Ritualistic | PGP Joshua J. Slack |
| Deputy Grand Lecturer | OES Education | PM Helen Powell |





REGISTRATION

Registration fees and forms including, Order of the Eastern Star members, must be forwarded to the Registration Committee, Attn: RW James A. Stokes, MWPHGL, 1307 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, MD 21217.

Registration Fee

EARLY REGISTRATION IS \$225.00 -- Ends October 16th

LATE REGISTRATION IS \$275.00 from October 17th - November 17th

ON-SITE REGISTRATION IS \$400.00

ADDITIONAL RECEPTION TICKET IS \$45.00

Personal checks will not be accepted at <u>ON-SITE</u> registration. Only Cash, Money Order, Certified Check, or On-line Payments will be accepted.

Included in the fee is a badge, kit, and lunch tickets for Friday and Saturday and one ticket for Friday Night's Awards Reception and Dance.

LINK FOR HOTEL RESERVATION(S)

Reservations can be made using the following Hotel Links:

Princess Royale Oceanfront & Conference Center - 410-524-7777

Overflow Hotel information will be provided thru the Secretary Tool





| Date & Time | Function | Location | Meeting Room |
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| Thursday Decembe | r 5, 2024 | | |
| 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Registration | Princess Royale Hotel | Aruba Ballroom |
| 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM | Joint Memorial Service | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom |
| 9:00 PM - 11:30 PM | Hospitality | Princess Royale Hotel | Caribe Ballroom |
| Friday December 6, | 2024 | | |
| 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Registration | Convention Center | |
| 7:00 AM - 7:30 AM | Joint Devotional Service | Convention Center | |
| 9:00 AM | Ritualistic Opening of the 128th Annual Grand Session | Convention Center | Room 201 - 206 |
| | Official Reception of Grand Worthy Matron Chelly A. Jones & Grand Worthy Patron Carl C. Jones | | |
| | Official Reception of the Past Grand Worthy Matrons & Past Grand Worthy Patrons | | |
| | Roll Call of Grand Officers | | |
| | Roll Call of Constituent Chapters | | |
| | Report of Rules Committee | | |
| | Report of the Credentials Committee | | |
| | Report of the Returns Committee | | |
| | Seating of the 2024 Delegates | | |
| | Presentation of the 128th Semi - Annual Grand Session Minutes | | |
| | Reading of Communications | | |
| | Annual Address: | | |
| | Addresses of GWM Chelly A. Jones& GWP Carl C. Jones | | |
| | Grand Officers & Committee ReportsGrand Financial SecretaryGrand Treasurer | | |
| | State Charity FundFinancial Review | | |
| | Jurisprudence & RecommendationsConstitution & By-Laws | | |
| 2:00 PM - 2:00 PM | Lunch | Princess Royale Hotel | Pool Area |
| 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Training - TBD | Princess Royale Hotel | TBD |
| 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Training – TBD | Princess Royale Hotel | TBD |
| 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Training - TBD | Princess Royale Hotel | TBD |
| 5:30 PM - 10:00 PM | Joint Awards Reception | Princess Royale Hotel | Poolside |
| Saturday December | | | |
| 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Registration | Convention Center | Performing Arts Center |
| 7:00 am – 7:30 am | Joint Devotional Service | Convention Center | |





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| 7:45 AM | Session Reconvenes | Convention Center | Rooms 201 - 206 |
| 8:45 AM | Reception of Visiting Jurisdictions | Convention Center | Rooms 201 - 206 |
| 9:15 AM | Reception of Maryland Concordant & Appendant Bodies | Convention Center | Rooms 201 - 206 |
| 9:25 AM | Reception of Queen Esther | Convention Center | |
| 9:35 AM | Reception of the Simon-Cunningham Grand Youth Fraternity | Convention Center | |
| 9:50 AM | Official Welcome - GAM Robbie Chrishon Skinner | Convention Center | |
| 9:55 AM | Response to Welcome – GWM Angela B. Tyson | Convention Center | |
| 10:00 AM | Remarks from Visiting Jurisdictions | Convention Center | |
| 10:30 AM | Visit to MWPHGL | Convention Center | |
| 12:30PM - 2:00 PM | Lunch | Princess Royale Hotel | Poolside |
| 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Secretary Tool Training | Princess Royale Hotel | Caribe Ballroom |
| 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM | Day Party | Princess Royale Hotel | Poolside |
| 9:30 PM - 11:30 PM | Hospitality | Princess Royale Hotel | Caribe Ballroom |
| Sunday, December 8, 2024 | | | |
| 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM | Joint Devotional Service | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom |
| 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM | Session Reconvenes | Princess Royale Hotel | Caribe Ballroom |
| 11:00 AM | Ritualistic Closing of the 128th Annual Grand Session | Princess Royale Hotel | Caribe Ballroom |
| 11:30 AM | Joint Installation & Adjournment | Princess Royale Hotel | Palmetto Ballroom |

The following Reports must be provided for membership review via the Secretary Tool, or by clicking on the QR Code

- Grand Associate Matron
- Grand Associate Patron
- Appeals & Grievances Committee
- Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons
- District Deputy Grand Matrons & District Deputy Grand Associate Matrons
- District Deputy Grand Patrons
- Grand Lecturers
- Charters & Dispensations Committee
- Ritualistic Committee
- Fannie E. Gillis Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Grand Supervisor Youth Fraternity
- Grand Chapter Special Projects
- Past Matrons & Patrons Guild





***Vendors will be in the Princess Royale Oceanfront Hotel on the Lower Level ***Joint Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter Hospitality will be held at the Princess Royale Oceanfront Hotel in the Caribe Ballroom. It will be open when there are no Grand Lodge or Grand Chapter meetings or events in effect.

Scan the QR code to view Session Reports and the Agenda.



Given under our hand and the seal of Myra Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Prince Hall Affiliated, Maryland and its Jurisdiction, Inc., the first day of August 2024.

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Carl C Jones Grand Worthy Patron