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Sovereign Grand Commander Solomon Wallace, 33º Honored as Western's 2011 Man Among Men

As Scottish Rite Masons, a critical component to the future success is that one must take time to honor those who work hard in the vineyards. In celebrating 98 years of service in the Valley of Chicago, Western Consistory #28 has selected a man of substance and character whose leadership has helped to advance communities across America through the United Supreme Council. In doing so, he has implemented programs to benefit the youth such as the "Cradle to College" effort and directed the path of the national organization in such a way that it is secured for years to come. While his accomplishments are numerous, his leadership is tremendous. This prompted Western Consistory to select this year's recipient for the second time in 15 years to receive the same honor. The 2011 Man Among Men is none other than Illustrious Solomon Wallace, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Jurisdiction.

Under the direction of Illustrious Glenn Pickett, 33º and Sublime Prince Devinn Jones, 32º, the Banquet Committee presented an affair for the ages. Held on Sunday, October 30th at Medinah Temple in Addison, Illinois, the Orient of Illinois and visiting dignitaries from across the country were well represented. The stirring words from Sovereign Grand Commander Wallace were those of graciousness but also of admonition. As Scottish Rite Masons it is our duty to be active participants in our communities. In doing so, we can each be a "Man Among Men" in our neighborhoods. If we do so, this world will be a better place and the Scottish Rite will have proven its worth to society as a whole.

> Congratulations to the Committee on a job well-done. The chairs of each functional committee included GIG Millard Driskell, 339-Promotions, GIG Milton Jackson, 339-Ticket Sales and GIG Daryl Andrews, 339-Souvenir Book. Congratulations to the honoree and the Consistory under the leadership of SP Ernest Young, III, 32º-Commander-In-Chief on a job well done. Photos on Page 6

Tyree Consistory Honors Reverend Dr. Richard E. Temple, 32°

A "Giant" from The Southwestern Prince Hall Masonic Family was recognized by Tyree Consistory #64, Sunday October 2, 2011 at The National Shrine of Our Lady of The Snows at 5:00 p.m. honoring Rev. Dr. Richard E. Temple. member of Southern Cross Lodge #112 over 50 years of unwavering dedicated continuous outstanding service, not only to Southern Cross Lodge #112, Tyree Consistory #64, the Prince Hall Masonic Family, and the entire Metro East communities.

> Born in East St. Louis, Illinois on March 21, 1931 to the union of James and Daisy Temple, Richard was the fifth of five children. His childhood was filled with good memories of family life and Church. Although his Mother died when he was...

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From the Desk of the Deputy - Admonition for Installation of Officers

Admonishment to be read upon the Installation of Officers:

According to the Constitution and General Regulations of the United Supreme Council, the Deputy shall have the power in addition to presiding over the Council of Deliberation as the Most Illustrious Commander in Chief, he shall have the power to discharge all the executive, legislative and judicial powers during the recess of the Council of Deliberation, subject to the authority of the Sovereign Grand Commander. This says to me that my tenure of office should be reflective of me, my character and my system of administration. It also states that the Sovereign Grand Inspector General's in an Orient are to assist the Deputy in the performance of his duties. The Grand Inspector Generals are to assist in matters for the good of the order and the officers are to perform their duties efficiently as prescribed by law.

In relation to the first part of this paragraph it also says to me that the things you do regarding Scottish Rite Masonry in the Orient of Illinois should also be reflective of my administrative style. Of course if you disagree with me you can always grieve to the Sovereign Grand Commander, who has assured all of the Deputies that he will support them and their actions as long as they are not in violation of United Supreme Council laws or his directives or acting in a manner contrary to his administrative style. Let me apprise each of you of my leadership style, by beginning with what I don't like, believe in, practice or care to condone.

I do not believe in micromanagement, a style where a manager, or person of authority becomes over involved in the details of the work of subordinates, resulting in the manager making every decision in an organization, no matter how trivial. I believe that leadership is the capacity to establish direction and to influence and align others toward a common goal (the key words here is common goal, not individual goal), motivating and committing them to action and making them responsible for their performance. In doing this we have to allow Consistories, Commanders in Chiefs and other Scottish Rite Bodies the right to conduct their meetings and to manage and control their own affairs without interference from us whether we agree or not, except in cases where they are violating the law or where they may be confused and don't understand, especially when the issue is an initiative emanating from the United Supreme Council, the Sovereign Grand Commander, Deputy or the Council of Deliberation. Even then, my Blue House training tells me that it should be done in the most tender manner. When possible get the brother alone, give him the proper instructions, give him the opportunity to correct the situation and then encourage him. In essence, don't take over the presiding officer's meeting, in most instances if they need your assistance they will ask for it unless you have created a sense of resentment or he feels that you will speak in such ways as to overshadow him to the extent that you give the appearance that you are in charge of his meeting, with or without his approval.

I do not believe in a dictatorship, again during my tenure of office, I view us as servants and not individual tyrants with absolute

supreme authority, while in some situations that may very well be the case I don't want us to flaunt it. Even in the midst of a storm, let us humble ourselves and not become obtrusive or overbearing.

I believe that the use of too much power is bad and there are several uses of power that I am pleading with you not to use:

- The power of intimidation—Instilling Fear
- Power of Rank or Peer The big "I" and the little you, I
 prefer you gain and or earn that respect.
- Power of Humiliation where we cause another person his or her loss of pride whereby they are reduced to a state of lowliness or submission. He or she has the basic human right to which all humans are entitled, freedom of expression and the right to be treated with respect and dignity.
- Power of Harassment Threatening
- Power of Bullying Perceived and sometimes is a real imbalance of power with the more powerful individual or group, attacking or unjustly trying to control those who are less powerful.
- Power of Ad Homineum Personal abuse or personal attacks that involves insulting or belittling another in order to invalidate his or her argument. It can also involve pointing out the flaws or actions of a person which are irrelevant to the person's remarks.

Above all, Sovereign Grand Inspector Generals, Grand Inspector Generals, Sublime Princes, let us be just, fair, respectful, compassionate, kind and supportive of each other and let us treat each and all others as we ourselves would want others to treat us.

To those of you us who have a sense of false power, I would remind you of a portion of the installation charge of a Worshipful Master. This charge should be employed in all of our dealings with our fellow brothers, regardless of the level or degree of Masonry we have attained.

"The very consciousness of the possession of a great power will ever make a generous mind cautious and gentle in its exercise. To rule has been the lot of many, and requires neither strength of intellect nor soundness of judgment; to rule WELL has been the fortune of but a few, and may well be the object of an honorable ambition. It is not by the strong arm, or the iron hand that obedience and order – the chief requisites of good government are secured, but by holding the key to the hearts of men"

Brethren, I submit to you until we start respecting each brother as a man, freeborn and of lawful age with as much to offer to this organization as we believe we do, we will continue to experience the down spiraling of this ancient and honorable institution.

Please remember that it doesn't matter what grade, rank or office you hold, "No man is an Island". It is not about you or I, it is all about the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

Holiday Greetings to All

It's that time of year when we welcome back Christmas with traditions we hold dear. It's the time to think of the people we care about people like you and how these friendships have a way of warming our hearts anew. May you be graced with the love of family, the joy of friends and the everlasting peace of Christmas blessings. Jesus is the heart of Christmas, it's better to give, than to receive. Peace is not a season, it is a way of life. Look at the world through the eyes of a child, miracles do happen. Love one another, the gift of love is continuous.

Mezzy be your Christmas

Peaceful be your Home

Blessed

Joyful be your Family **Blessed** be each one of you for the year to come.



SGIG Melvin Frierson, 33° Deputy



From the Desk of the Grand Secretary of the Orient

Thanks to the Deputy, Melvin Frierson, for orchestrating the 94th Illinois Council of Deliberation (PHA) Session. The 94th Session was one of the best, if not the best ever. Congratualtions to the twelve 33rd Degree candidates who were nominated to be in the class of 2013 namely Sublime Princes Charles McDonal, Demetrius Gilmore, Steven A. Taylor, Stefon Miller, Louis Green, Floyd Woods III, Tommy Sims, Ron L. Wilson, Albert Haynes, Frank Jarvis, Frank Gillie and Earl Young. Special recognition goes out to the Meritorious Service Award recipients. They are Grand Inspectors General Jack Steele, Grand Master Otis Cromartie, Alfred Snoddy, Samuel Hurd, Alfredric Cathion, David Johnson, Lawrence James and Damon P. Anderson Sr.

Many, many thanks to those of you who purchased raffle tickets, souvenir book ads and made donations. Your purchases and donations enhance our scholarship program. Please continue to support the Illinois Council of Deliberation's (PHA) projects and programs.



Grand Inspector General James A. Mitchell, 33

The 2012 Session of the United Supreme Council Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Northern Jurisdiction, Prince Hall Affiliated, Incorporated will be held in Detroit, Michigan.



From the Commanders of the Rite of the Orient of Illinois

Floyd Woods Sr., 33° President **Orient of Illinois**

> Bill Harlan, 33º Vice President Valley of Chicago

Aubrey K. Barlow, 33º Vice President Valley of Springfield

John Foreman, 33º Vice President Valley of Cairo



Delbert Marion, 33º Vice President Valley of East St. Louis

Moses Robinson, 33º Vice President Valley of Rock Island

Donnie Merritt, 33º Vice President Valley of Waukegan

Reinaldo Walker, 33º Vice President Valley of Joliet

Pictured: GIG Herbert R. Williams, 33°-Secretary, GIG Floyd Woods Sr., 33°-President, GIG Ray Yancy, 33°-Treasurer

The Illinois State Commanders of the Rite congratulate Sovereign Grand Inspector General Melvin Frierson, 33° on a successful and very enjoyable Illinois Council of Deliberation session. We wish the 2011 Rufus Starks Class best wishes and we welcome you. To the nominees for the thirty-third a last degree, we will be proud to have you with us.

Grand Inspector General Fleyd Weeds Sr., 33

Crowns of the Northern Jurisdiction

Websters Dictionary defines a crown as "any of various types of headgear worn by a monarch as a symbol of sovereignty, often made of precious metal and ornamented with valuable gems....an ornamental wreath or circlet for the head, conferred by the ancients as a mark of victory, athletic or military distinction, etc." The United Supreme Council Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Northern Jurisdiction, Prince Hall Affiliated (USC) has adopted five classes of crowns for members who hold allegiance to her jurisdiction.



Sovereign Grand Commander (330)



Elected United Supreme Council Officers (330)



Supreme Council Members (330)



Active / Emeritus United Honorary United Supreme **Council Members** $(33<math>^{\circ})$



Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret (32°)





GIG James A. Mitchell, 33° **Grand Secretary**



GIG Warren Gipson, 33° **Grand Treasurer**



Grand Prior



GIG William L. Norman, 33° Grand Director of Sessions



Grand Captain of the Guard



GIG Tecumseh Henry, 33° **Grand Sentinel**



Virtuous Women

By Debbie Bennett

Good Women
like Jewels Gems and Rubies
Rare and Distinguished and Unique
Virtuous Full Of The Spirit women
Kind Loving and Sweet.

Powerful Serving Women
Discerning Compassionate and Pure
Sincere Holy Women
Biblical and Crystal Clear

Godly Dedicated Women Committed Faithful and True Praying, Praising, Fasting Women Denying themselves too.

Obedient Wise Women Who know the Voice of the Lord Quiet Teachable Women Who are United in One Accord.

Submissive, Honorable, Reverent Women Who teach Daughters how to pray Sensitive, Spirit-led Women Who follow in God's Way

A Virtuous Women who can Find? Where does this queen Reside Virtuous Women are Made and it starts from the Inside.

Breast Cancer Awareness

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1 in 8 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer during their lifetime.
38% of breast cancer cases are preventable. For more information, please visit the American Institute for Cancer Research website at www.AICR.org.

Order of the Go



State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler Paulette Brown

The transfer of leadership within the Illinois Order of the Golden Circle has shifted once again from a lady of extreme character and strength to another lady of similar characteristics. The handoff from Loyal Lady Dollie Sanders to Loyal Lady Clairice Walker certainly fit the mold two years ago. The handoff from Loyal Lady Walker to Loyal Lady Helen Sanders last year also held the same regard. Now, the transition from Loyal Lady Sanders to the new State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler, Paulette Brown, clearly falls within this category.

Loyal Lady Brown truly stands as a lady among ladies at the helm of the Grand Assembly and is poised for success based upon her past leadership experiences. A Past Loyal Lady Ruler of Chicago Assembly #4, she is nearly two months removed from the Office of Worthy Grand Matron of Eureka Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. Under her leadership, the membership of the Grand Chapter experienced tremendous growth. Commandress of Arabic Court #21 DOI, she is also an elected officer of the Imperial Court Divan of the Daughters of Isis. Her post as Imperial places her in position to follow in the footsteps of Daughter Elizabeth Graves who was the first Illinoisan to steer the helm of the Imperial Court Daughters of Isis.

As she now assumes the mantle of leadership for the Illinois State Grand Assembly, Loyal Lady Brown is ready to lead the organization with the same strength and fervor as in her previous stations. Based upon the success obtained during those terms, the Illinois State Grand Assembly is bound to experience growth in numbers and in knowledge. This will bode extremely well for the organization in the future.

Congratulations and best wishes to all the elected and appointed officers of the Illinois State Grand Assembly, Order of the Golden Circle, Prince Hall Affiliated. The Elected Officers for 2011-2012 are listed below:

- ♦ State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler: Loyal Lady Paulette Brown
- ♦ State Grand Loyal Lady Associate Ruler: Loyal Lady Linda Robinson
- ♦ State Grand Loyal Lady Priestess: Loyal Lady Barbara Washington
- ♦ State Grand Loyal Lady Guide: Loyal Lady Roxanne Lampkin
- ♦ State Grand Loyal Lady Secretary: Loyal Lady Claire Walker
- State Grand Loyal Lady Treasurer:
 Loyal Lady Ida Robinson

Folden Circle







- Grand Minister of State
- Deputy Grand Master, MWPHGL of Illinois
- ♦ Grand Master of Ceremonies
- ♦ Worthy Grand Patron, Eureka Grand Chapter, OES

Scottish Rite Leaders Who Have Led Other Fraternal Organizations

History has shown that the sons and daughters of the Orient of Illinois have a high quality of leadership skills running through their veins. While serving in leadership positions in the Scottish Rite and her adoptive bodies, several have served in leadership roles at the state and national levels. We'd like to introduce you to some of these Active or Emeritus Members of the United Supreme Council and elected officers of the Illinois State Grand Assembly who have held or currently hold statewide or national elected leadership positions within other fraternal organizations:

- ◆ SGIG Richard E. Moore (Lt. Grand Commander)
 - Past Right Eminent Grand Commander, PHGC Knight Templar
 - Past Worthy Grand Patron, Eureka Grand Chapter OES
- ♦ SGIG Robert J.B. Ellington (Deputy)
 - Past Grand High Priest, MEPHGC Holy Royal Arch Masons
- ♦ SGIG Frank Summers (Sov. Grand Commander)
 - ♦ Honorary Past Grand Master
 - Past Grand Polemarch,
 Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity
- SGIG Obed Vanderburg (Active)
 - Past Grand Master
- ♦ SGIG Henry G. Fort (Active)
 - Past Grand Master
 - Past Grand Joshua, MAPHGC Heroines of Jericho
- SGIG Genoa S. Washington (Active)
 - ♦ Past Imperial Potentate AEAONMS
- ♦ SGIG Rufus Starks (Active)
 - Past Grand Master
- ♦ SGIG Melvin Frierson (Deputy)
 - ♦ Past Grand Master
 - Past Grand High Priest, MEPHGC Holy Royal Arch Masons
- ♦ SGIG Levi L. Rose (Active)
 - ♦ Past Grand Master
- SGIG Brian L. Abrams Sr. (Deputy)
 - Honorary Past Grand High Priest, MEPHGC Holy Royal Arch Masons
- ♦ Loyal Lady Dollie Sanders (PSGLLR)
 - Past Worthy Grand Matron, Eureka Grand Chapter, OES
- ♦ SGIG James Gayles (Deputy)
 - ♦ Past Grand Master
- ♦ SGIG Oliver Washington (Emeritus)
 - Past Imperial Potentate, AEAONMS
- Loyal Lady Paulette Brown (SGLLR)
 - Past Worthy Grand Matron, Eureka Grand Chapter, OES
 - ♦ Imperial Court Divan, Daughters of Isis



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Fran Runong Fren Banquet



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This issue contains excerpts from the Training Manual and Guide for Volunteer Mentors in the Orient of Illinois. The primary objectives of the initial mentor training are to confirm the commitment of the mentor, establish the basic parameters of the program and to be to prepare the mentors for the realities of the mentoring experience.

WHY YOUTH NEED MENTORS

The young people of today must cope with far more personal and social pressures than any other previous generation of youth. Early intervention through a structured mentor relationship may be able to give young people the tools and support they need to deal effectively with these pressures.

Understanding the many social, psychological, and physical demands that the youth face is extremely important for any individual about to undertake the task of being a mentor. The following is a list of these issues:

Peer Pressure

 One of the greatest forces on adolescents is the influence of their peers.

School Safety & Violence

Many young people are exposed to bullies or other violent behaviors in the school setting which may result in attendance problems or lower academic achievement levels.

Sexuality & Relationships

 Many young people turn to sexual relationships for a variety of reasons.

Nutrition & Health Care

 Many young people feel that they are immortal and are either ignorant of or tend to ignore good health practices.

Faith & Religion

 This issue is usually within the domain of the family. However, this may be an area of great concern for some young people.

Substance Abuse

 The curiosity to experiment with alcohol, tobacco, and drugs is a constant threat to each adolescent in today's world.

Depression & Suicide

 Serious depression is common when young people are overwhelmed with issues and situations they cannot resolve.

Child Abuse & Family Violence

Physical and psychological abuse within the family or any environment will have an immediate effect on the youth and create negative attitudes and behaviors.

Career Exploration and Part-Time Work

Many young people struggle with the subjects of work and career. They often don't know what they want to do or be, how they can contribute to society, what their strengths are, or what steps to take in exploring workplace opportunities. Making money is important to most kids but knowing how to go about securing satisfying employment is something they usually learn through trial and error.

Social & Time Management

 How to manage leisure time, schoolwork, extracurricular activities, family chores and other social demands is often very difficult for young people.

These are just some of the issues that mentors will be faced with in the mentoring process. Become a mentor today to aid our youth through these issues. To obtain more information on the Cradle to College Mentoring Program in the Orient of Illinois please contact Sovereign Grand Inspector General Homer Walton at (312) 569-6396 or Grand Inspector General Charles Burns at (773) 859-0273.

BECOME A MENTOR TODAY!!!





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The 2011 Illinois Council of Deliberation and Illinois State Grand Assembly Sessions began on Friday, October 14, 2011 with the elevations of Fraters and Loyal Ladies into Consistories and Assemblies across the Orient. The Consistories gained new Sublime Princes from the state elevation class which became the namesake of the late Sovereign Grand Inspector General Rufus Starks, 33°. He would have been proud of the caliber of fraters inducted into the Scottish Rite in his namesake from the Valleys and proud of the labors performed by the degree team. The class of Loyal Ladies also extended from Valleys across the state and this group of distinguished ladies were inculcated with the higher degrees of the Order of the Golden Circle.

On Friday afternoon under the leadership of President Floyd Woods Sr.,33°, the State Commanders of the Rite met to perform the election of officers for the state-wide organization, to review the affairs of the organization in the Valleys, to present recommendations for the nominations of Sublime Princes for elevation to the thirty-third degree and to discuss additional acts of benevolence. The names of twelve Sublime Princes were presented and voted upon by the Commanders of the Rite resulting in a group of high

quality Scottish Rite Masons from across the Orient of Illinois.
Their labors on behalf of the Scottish Rite are highly revered and lauded. Should they be exalted, it is the prayer of the Scottish Rite that God continue to bless them in all of their future

endeavors and keep them on a righteous path.

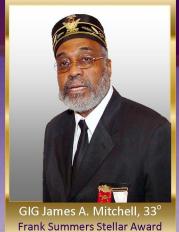
The Loyal Ladies began their deliberations on Friday afternoon concluding with all of their business in good and wholesome order. The spirit of unity was in the air and the presence of our Heavenly Father was also ushered into the facilities with the Gospel Fest held on that Friday Night. The Christland Jubilee Singers featuring Sovereign Grand Inspector General Lafayette Gatling Sr. put on an affair for the ages. Singing songs of Zion, all who attended were moved to adore the works of our Heavenly Father. This spirit resonated in the air throughout the remainder of the weekend.

The Illinois Council of Deliberation Session began on Saturday, October 15th with the allocution of Most Illustrious Commander-In-Chief Melvin Frierson. His labors on behalf of the Orient of Illinois were stellar and wreak of a strong sense of dedication to this body which he has been selected to lead. He applauded the efforts of the Fraters within the Orient and pledged to continue to operate in the same manner. The officers and the auditors confirmed that the scrutiny placed upon all activities by the Deputy have kept the organization running like a well oiled machine. By their efforts, the ICOD is poised to continue in strength through the ensuing year.

Under the leadership of Loyal Lady Helen Sanders, the ISGA also prospered. Her term of leadership was clearly successful and she

2011 Essions ~







SGIG Charles M. Carter, 33° Distinguished Member Award

- Grand Inspector General Otis Cromartie Sr., 33°, Grand Master
- Grand Inspector General Jack E. Steele, 33°
- Grand Inspector General Alfred Snoddy, 33°
- Grand Inspector General Samuel Hurd, 33°
- Grand Inspector General Alfredric Cathion, 33°
- ♦ Grand Inspector General David Johnson, 33°
- Grand Inspector General Lawrence James, 33°
- ♦ Grand Inspector General Damon Anderson Sr., 33°





Peer of the Year

2011 Meritorious Service Award Recipients

graciously turned the gavel of authority over to the new State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler Paulette Brown. In the hands of the Junior Past Worthy Grand Matron of Eureka Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star, the ISGA is positioned for more growth during the 2011-2012 Masonic Year.

As witnessed by Sovereign Grand Inspector General Robert Thomas of the Orient of Indiana, Illustrious Frierson and the officers received a standing round of applause and congratulations for their labors. The feeling of excitement from Friday evening clearly lingered through the Saturday morning ICOD and ISGA sessions and remained in tact for the banquet scheduled on that evening. With a packed house, a number of Fraters and Loyal Ladies were recognized for their efforts.

- ♦ Frank Summers Stellar Award—James A. Mitchell
- Distinguished Member Award—Charles M. Carter
- ♦ Scottish Rite Mason of the Year Award—Lewis Maxwell
- Scottish Rite Peer of the Year Award—Leonard Gibbs

Eight Grand Inspectors General received the Meritorious Service Award. Lastly, due to his years of friendship and attendance at the ICOD sessions, SGIG Robert Thomas was made an Honorary ICOD member.

By the grace of our Heavenly Father, Sunday morning came with a greater sense of excitement than the prior two days. The ICOD Session

concluded its affairs with all of the officers being duly elected for another year. As a part of the effort, a gift was bestowed upon the Historical Committee of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Illinois. The Gallery at the Grand East houses a section dedicated to the Scottish Rite. Designed by GIGs Daryl Andrews and Carl Pickett, the history of the Scottish Rite and regalia are showcased in display cases within the hall. By the hands of Most Illustrious Commander In Chief Melvin Frierson, the Illinois Council of Deliberation presented two personalized artifacts for display—The crowns of Past Sovereign Grand Commander Frank M. Summers and Past Sovereign Grand Inspector General Rufus Starks. They will be enshrined in the Historical Gallery and will ensure that their legacies in the Rite remain alive for years to come.

The 2011 ICOD Session ended with words from the dignitaries present and a circle of prayer. The words of Sovereign Grand Inspector General DePlessie Drew rang loudly in the ears of all who repeated them in the rhythmic cadence. "Work has only just begun. We must continue to be a benefit to society." So mote it be! With this admonition, the brethren set forth on their various destinations to continue to the labors of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

Deus Meumque Jus!

Post Traumatic Stress Disorder

Crisis Hotline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Submitted by Major Lacy, Jr.

What is PTSD?

You have seen this acronym on TV and heard people talk about it but do you know its meaning? PTSD stands for "Post Traumatic Stress Disorder." It is an anxiety disorder that can develop after exposure to a terrifying event in which grave physical harm occurred or was threatened. Traumatic events that may trigger PTSD include violent personal assaults, natural or human-caused disasters, accidents or military combat.

What is Reintegration?

Reintegration is the process that veterans endure when they return to the United States. After being abroad for an extended period of time, it is often difficult for veterans to assimilate to life back at home. Military life at war is very different from independent life in the U.S., which often makes reintegration a challenge. As such, many veterans experience PTSD in a number of different ways. PTSD affects nearly eight million

American adults. Some of the symptoms include:

- Starting easily
- Becoming emotionally numb
- Losing interest in things that were once enjoyable
- Aggressive and violent behavior
- Difficulty sleeping or concentrating
- Flashbacks: Reliving events during the day and in nightmares; and avoiding situations that remind them of the original event

Other commons problems that result from PTSD include:

- Drinking or drug abuse
- Feelings of hopelessness, shame or despair
- ♦ Employment problems
- Relationship problems including divorce and violence
- ♦ Physical symptoms

Treatment us available for veterans and family members with problems.

Tyree Continued

...3 years old, he had the blessing of a strong father and grandmother. It was through their teachings that he learned the core values of honesty, obedience, respect, and non-violence. He began his education in a two-room schoolhouse and matriculated to Lovejoy High School. After graduation, he joined the military and served his country well for six years. He was honorably discharged with the rank of Tech Sergeant.

Upon his discharge, he enrolled in Mildred Louise Business College and graduated majoring in Accounting and Business Secretarial Science. He continued his studies at State Community College and Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville in the 1950s. He also earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Edison University in 1968 and, subsequently, followed his calling from God to pursue ministerial studies at the American Baptist



Theological Seminary, Northwestern Seminary, Southern Baptist Seminary, National Baptist Congress of Christian Education and Northwestern University. As a reward for his labors, the Degree of Honorary Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him from Evangel Christian University.

Dr. Temple grew in the ministry at Greater New Hope Baptist Church where he was ordained a minister in 1978 and held membership for nearly 45 years. He was elevated to Associate Minister before joining New Jerusalem Baptist Church and his work at both churches became stepping stones for his ministry and work as Founder and Pastor of Grace Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church. He currently promotes G.R.A.C.E.—Growth, Restoration, Anointing, Christian values, and Evangelism. He uses his own life lessons, rewards, challenges, pitfalls, and pinnacles to teach others as they journey toward their purpose-driven life under God's leadership.

His academic accomplishments also led to career successes. He retired from the East St. Louis Fire Department after 24 years of service. He quickly rose through the ranks to Assistant Fire Chief. Distinctions during his career include election as President of Fire Fighters Union Local 23, State-certified Arson Investigator, State of Illinois Master Instructor, Bomb and Explosive Technician (the first African American in Illinois to hold these positions), and State-certified Fire Instructor. He wrote for various publications and taught Fire Science at State Community College for seven years. He is currently an Income Tax Senior Advisor, Notary, and Financial Advisor.

Rev. Dr. Temple has served in many capacities with several organizations. A Past Master of Southern Cross Lodge #112 (1968-1969), Past Patron of Queen Elizabeth Chapter #16 OES (1970) and a 50 year member of Tyree Consistory #64, he is well known in the Masonic ranks. He was also the former Treasurer of Swansea's Home Owners Association, Cub Scout Master Troop 452, founding member/past Treasurer, and Board member of Ministers United Against Human Suffering since 1984 and Chaplain for Hospice of Belleville, Illinois. He is a stalwart Masonic soldier and testimony to God's influence in one's life. Congratulations!!



By Sublime Prince Marcus Hammonds, 32°, #28

Involvement in voluntary associations such as the Scottish Rite is widely seen as critical to the transmission and reinforcement of democratic values, institutions and practices. Some have forecasted that the general membership in civic organizations within the US has been suffering a downward trend since the mid-70s while remaining stable in countries such as the Netherlands or the United Kingdom. However, in my opinion, the downward trend is even steeper within the US's Black community – noting a strong generation gap in participation. For instance, when I was a member of Fidelity #20 PHA MWPHGLDC over 70% of the members were over 50 years old and had joined in the 1980s or before. The age distribution for King David #100 PHA MWPHGLIL and the Rufus C. Starks Class of 2011, of which I am now a member, is a little better in comparison but still skewed toward soon to be AARP members.

SO WHAT HAS CHANGED?

- Our perception of time has changed. Two hundred years ago much of life was unchanging. Limited by our modes of transportation, we could not
 get very far quickly so our lives were bound within small geographical circumferences. However, now we drive cars with speeds above 100mph, can fly
 around the world beyond the speed of sound, can thrust rockets into spaces and thousands of miles per hour, and can receive and send data and
 information to anyone anywhere in a fraction of a second.
- Jobs have changed. The idea of a job was created very recently and over time it became something we believed we could depend on. Today that is not the case. In the past, an employee could expect to be with a company for 30 years. Now, young adults expect to stay maybe 2-5 years then move on. Since the 1960s, jobs have been becoming increasingly temporary and temporary or contract employees have become increasingly popular.
- Organizations have changed. Society has moved from mass marketing of ideas and products to more and more customization or
 personalization. The mass has devolved into market segments with specific needs and specific tastes. The explosion in the number of Christian
 denominations can attest to this trend. Meanwhile, overall church attendance has declined.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE SCOTTISH RITE?

In this sea of change and choice, what the Scottish Rite provides its members remains largely unchanged. Considering that humans can only withstand but so much change due to the consequences of stress, the rite offers an oasis of continuity in what is often a discontinuous and difficult to comprehend world. Its tenets and teachings serve to fortify our souls and consciences with durable traits that will withstand the tribulations of this world and the world thereafter. These tools serve to strengthen our bonds with others, promote freedom and liberty, and elevate our attributes to heights never before imagined. The Scottish Rite remains as relevant and necessary as ever before.

No matter what the state of the world, one Grand Inspector General has repeatedly reminded us that "it is all good." However, I contend that the world can be even better with active membership in the Scottish Rite.



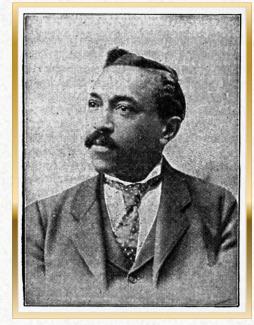
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- Grand Inspector General Peter Smith, #28
- Grand Inspector General George Stacker, #64
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- Sublime Prince John W. Stokes, #28
- Sublime Prince Louis Thompson Jr., #28
- Sublime Prince Wilbur Watkins, #92



Born in Brownsville, Pennsylvania on February 7, 1850, Richard E. Moore was one of the most prominent Freemasons of his day and age. The son of Harriet Coleman Moore and younger brother to Joseph W. Moore, the family had completed their trek to the State of Illinois in the early 1860s in conjunction with the movement to expand the African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME). By the aid of the noble Harriet, Bethel AME of Chicago was formed in 1862 and young Richard was promptly enrolled as the very first Sunday School Scholar in class number one in 1863. He would later become the Superintendent of the Sunday School in his adult life. Although he was too young to fight in the Civil War and participate in abolitionist activities, his roots in the church and the signs of the times built within him a great sense of responsibility for his community and for his race.

First Black Commissioned Officer

In 1868, young Richard organized a military company of boys into the Hannibal Guards who fashioned themselves after the famous French Zouaves. A precision drill team, they marched with pride and skill like the Zouaves in parades across Chicago. They also provided assistance within the community by any means that they could. When they became of age, many of them enlisted in the State Militia of Illinois and were enrolled in Company A, 16th Battalion. In this arena, Moore became the first man of color in Illinois to be a commissioned officer having received the rank of Captain. After departing the military, Moore settled down to place the seeds for his own family roots. Moore gained employment as a Porter in the office of the American Express Company on April 1, 1871 and, gradually, worked his way up to private messenger to Mr. Charles Fargo, Vice-President and General Manager of the Company. It was in this role that he met his love, Rosa E. Hawkins with whom he was united in matrimony on December 5, 1874. To this union were born two daughters, namely, Alberta and Etta, and one son, Richard Jr. Moore's service as private messenger supported the family through 1902 until he was transferred to the new



Foreign Department of the company as Filing Clerk to take charge of more than fifty thousand files which covered the transactions of the company's most vigorously expanding branch. He served in this role through his retirement in 1913 which capped more than forty years of service.

Transition to Masonic Ranks Inevitable

A family man, solider and man of God, Moore's transition to the Masonic ranks was inevitable. Following the example of his elder brother Joseph W. Moore who had been a member of North Star Lodge #1 since 1867. Richard joined the Masonic Order in the 1870s. During this period, the Masonic Order had gained significant attention as its membership contained some of the most progressive African American men in the State of Illinois. Of them were Cook County Commissioner John Jones, one of Chicago's wealthiest persons and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio whose defenses on behalf of Colored Freemasonry had been noted and published worldwide. The nephews of Jones-Theodore Wellington Jones and John George Jones-had also gained significant stature in the City of Chicago. In addition, the efforts of the brethren under the leadership of Most Worshipful Brother William L. Darrow to save the City of Chicago during the 1871 Chicago Fire had increased the public opinion of the Masonic Order as a whole and extended the reach of the Grand Lodge to the Chicago suburbs. As such, the organization was held in high esteem in all African American circles prompting many to seek membership.

Charter Junior Warden of Hiram Lodge

At the request of John W. Chew, a gathering of men interested in forming a Lodge was held at his residence in January of 1873. After much discussion, it was agreed that the gentlemen would submit a petition as a social club to the Grand Lodge to request a warrant of dispensation to form a Lodge. As Chew was crippled, he felt that the club would be better suited to be led and operated by younger, stronger men and shifted the leadership of the effort to James W. Taylor. With the necessary documentation completed and remitted to the Grand Lodge, the warrant was granted in February of 1873 by Grand Master Darrow and, subsequently, Hiram Lodge U.D. was formed with the following executive officers:

- ♦ Worshipful Master—James W. Taylor
- ♦ Senior Warden—Thomas Dyson
- Junior Warden—Richard E. Moore

At the Seventh Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Ancient York Masons for the State of Illinois held in the City of Belleville, the Grand Lodge approved the recommendation of the Committee on Dispensations and Charters that Hiram Lodge be granted a charter and granted #14 on the rolls with the charter officers in tact

With a strong leadership skill set, Richard E. Moore experienced swift elevation in Hiram Lodge and the Grand Lodge simultaneously. Although he was the charter Junior Warden, he became the second Worshipful Master of Hiram Lodge serving in 1876 and 1877. While serving as Worshipful Master in 1876, he was successfully elected to the Office of Senior Grand Warden at the Tenth Annual

Communication of the Grand Lodge which made him the second elected Grand Lodge Officer from Hiram. James W. Taylor preceded him in 1875 with his election as Junior Grand Warden. Moore was not re-elected in 1877 but was elected Grand Secretary in 1878. He served along side Taylor who had risen to the Office of Most Worshipful Grand Master. While Taylor served two years as Grand Master, Moore served thirty-five years as Grand Secretary. His tenure as Grand Secretary included service at the funeral of Cook County Commissioner John Jones in 1879 in one of the largest public processionals in Chicago History. He also served during the term that his brother Joseph was elevated to the Office of Most Worshipful Grand Master from 1884 to 1887. He is most notably known in Masonic circles as a key party in the final expulsion of John G. Jones in 1903.

Superior Leadership Skills

In the midst of great labors, Moore proved himself to be an excellent multi-tasker. His legacy of leadership and service extended to all affiliated bodies within the State of Illinois:

- Founding member of the Most Ancient Prince Hall Grand Court Heroines of Jericho in 1883 and served as Most Worthy Grand Joshua from 1892 to 1895;
- First Grand Worthy Patron of Eureka Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star in 1890;
- Founding member of Palestine Temple #1, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in 1893. After reorganization of the national organization to the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (AEAONMS), he became the first Illustrious Recorder of Arabic Temple #44 of Chicago in 1913;
- Organized Arabic Court Daughters of Isis as an auxiliary to Arabic Temple in 1913;
- Elected Deputy Imperial Potentate of the AEAONMS in 1919.

He was also extremely active in the Illinois York Rite Bodies along with his brother Joseph:

- Richard served as Grand Secretary of the Most Excellent Prince Hall Grand Chapter of Holy Royal Arch Masons. Joseph, served as the first Grand High Priest in 1881.
- Richard served as Grand Recorder of the Prince Hall Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and was elected Right Eminent Grand Commander in 1901. Joseph was elected to the same office in 1909.

Their activity in the Scottish Rite was equally as active but came into effect under challenging circumstances.

The Five Original Supreme Councils

In the late 1800s, the existence of multiple Scottish Rite Jurisdictions caused much confusion within the African American Scottish Rite. By 1871, five Supreme Councils existed and it was common for many to have membership in more than one:

 King David Supreme Council of Philadelphia, PA (KDSC) established in 1854 by Count de Laurent, 33° of the Supreme Council of France

- United States Supreme Council of New York, NY (USSC) established in 1864 by Baron A. Hugo de Bulow. 33° of the Grand Orient of France
- 3. KDSC established the Supreme Council Southern and Western Jurisdiction of Washington, D.C. (SC-SWJ) in 1869
- 4. USSC established the Supreme Council Southern Jurisdiction of Baltimore, MD (SC-SJ) in 1870
- 5. SC-SJ established the King Frederick Supreme Council of Philadelphia, PA (KFSC) in 1871

In 1880, the USSC called for a conference in New York to discuss consolidation of the jurisdictions. The meeting, which occurred on October 21, 1880, produced a resolution, that was agreed upon by all representatives to consolidate and form the United Supreme Council Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of the Northern Jurisdiction (USC-NJ). While a lawsuit filed against the USSC by John G. Jones forced its withdrawal from the agreement, the USC-NJ was formed from the KDSC and KFSC on April 9, 1881. The SC-SWJ and SC-SJ agreed to consolidate and form the United Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction (USC-SJ) in 1887. Despite the agreement, the SC-SWJ continued operations yielding three primary Supreme Councils amongst African Americans. The resulting competition for membership between the Supreme Councils often led to jurisdictional conflicts. The City of Chicago, for example, had two consistories. Occidental, which translates to "Western" was initially chartered in 1889 by the USSC while Prince Hall Consistory was chartered by the SC-SWJ. It is from this backdrop and in the midst of the competition for membership that many Illinoisans entered into the high degrees of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

Moore Brothers Join the Scottish Rite

Richard and Joseph Moore had initially become active in the Scottish Rite as members of Occidental Consistory. While both consistories thrived, the contention between the SC-SWJ and the USSC came to a head in 1895 due to conflicts which arose by the hands of Illustrious Thornton A. Jackson, 33°, Milton Fields, 33° and John G. Jones, 33°. Illustrious Fields was accused misappropriation of funds by the Orient of Missouri while serving as Deputy. Sovereign Grand Commander George Roper, 33°, of the USC-NJ received a letter of grievance from the Missouri Council of Deliberation on November 9. 1891. As the Orient of Missouri had been turned over to the USC-SJ at the time of receipt, the matter was turned over to that Jurisdiction which, promptly, expelled Fields.

Like many others, Illustrious Fields also held membership in the SC-SWJ which had continued its operations. In 1895, discord between John G. Jones, who had risen to Sovereign Grand Commander of the SC-SWJ, and Jackson who had risen to Sovereign Grand Commander of the USC-SJ led to their mutual expulsion from the other's jurisdiction. Fields was also expelled from the SC-SWJ in the schism. A man with no Scottish Rite home at the time, Fields resolved to create one for

himself. He established the Supreme Council for the Northern and Western Jurisdiction (SC-NWJ) and absorbed Occidental Consistory from the USSC which had since dissolved.

Moore secures Valley of Chicago

As Fraters of Occidental Consistory, the Moore brothers had been elevated to the 33rd degree. Richard experienced swift elevation through the ranks and was elevated to the office of Secretary-General of the SC-NWJ in the early 1900s. It would be by his vision that the wounds opened by Fields and Jones within the Scottish Rite were finally healed:

- Moore's hand in the expulsion of John G. Jones from the Grand Lodge of Illinois dealt a severe blow to the SC-SWJ which led to the consolidation of Occidental and Prince Hall Consistories under the SC-NWJ;
- As Secretary-General, Moore took the Oath of Fealty to the USC-NJ in Chicago on August 24, 1912 in an effort to affiliate Occidental with a legitimate Scottish Rite body. After taking the Oath, Moore was crowned an Active member of the USC-NJ by Sovereign Grand Commander J. Francis Rickards, 33°;
- On May 8, 1913, Occidental #2 took the Oath of Fealty to the USC-NJ, elevated fiftyfive to the 32nd Degree and changed its name to Western Consistory #28.

The potential of the Valley was enormous due to the size of its population. This prompted the USC-NJ to formally establish the Orient of Illinois in 1913 and select Illustrious Dr. Egbert Dickerson, 33° of Cairo as her first Deputy.

In 1914, Illustrious Dickerson relocated his medical practice to the neighboring State of Indiana. As such, Sovereign Grand Inspector General Moore was selected to succeed him as Deputy in 1914. At the eleventh USC-NJ Triennial Session, Illustrious Moore had garnered such an impeccable Masonic reputation that he was elected Lieutenant Grand Commander of the USC-NJ. While serving in this role, he organized Chicago Assembly #4, Order of the Golden Circle in 1916 and worked to extend the Orient to Central and Southern Illinois. In this capacity. he added Menelik Consistory in the Valley of Springfield and Hiram Consistory in the Valley of Cairo. After stepping down from the office at the thirteenth Triennial Convocation in 1920, he retained his role as Deputy. By the conclusion of his term in 1922, Menelik and Hiram had become numbered #49 and #51 respectively in 1921.

Illustrious Moore remained a solid contributor to the Masonic Order until he forever relinquished his working tools for a place in that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. While at the Masonic Conclave in East St. Louis, Illinois on October 11, 1922, he suffered a stroke. He died six days later on Tuesday, October 17, 1922. He was buried at Oakwood Cemetery five days later with full Masonic Honors.

May peace be unto his ashes.

Heartburn or Heart Attack:

Do You Know the Difference?

Submitted by Sublime Prince Okey K. Enyia, 32°, #51, Dr. James E. Walker Presidential Fellow

What is Heartburn?

It begins as a pain in the middle of your chest, behind the breastbone, often after a big meal. The burning sensation may move upward toward your neck and is often accompanied by a feeling of food coming back into your mouth. If you occasionally experience heartburn, you're not alone. About 40 percent of adults in the United States have heartburn at least monthly.

Also called acid indigestion, heartburn is caused when stomach acid backs up into the esophagus due to a weak or improperly relaxed sphincter muscle in the lower esophagus. While occasional heartburn isn't serious, recurrent episodes can be a symptom of gastro esophageal reflux disease, or GERD.

Most problems with heartburn are brief and mild. Because it is fairly common, a description of your symptoms is usually all the doctor needs to make a diagnosis. Lifestyle changes are generally all that are needed to control heartburn:

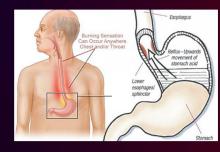
- Elevate the head of your bed 4 to 6 inches to prevent acid from creeping up into the esophagus while you sleep.
- Avoid lying down for three hours after eating a meal.
- Stop smoking, Smoking inhibits the body's production of protective saliva in the esophagus and also may trigger the production of acid.
- Sleep on your left side.
- Wait a while after eating before exercising.
- Lose excess weight.

Watching what and how you eat can help reduce your heartburn:

- Eat smaller meals, and eat more slowly
- Avoid foods that trigger symptoms and may irritate the esophagus, such as chocolate, peppermint, onions, garlic, citrus juices, acidic and tomato-based foods, & fatty foods
- Avoid alcoholic, caffeinated and carbonated drinks

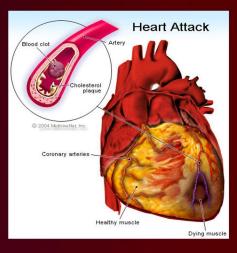
Heartburn or Heart Attack?

The pain you experience during a severe bout of heartburn can feel similar to the pain from heart disease, either a heart attack or angina. It often takes an examination by a doctor to determine the cause of the pain. Some possible differences between heartburn symptoms and symptoms of heart disease are:



Heartburn

- A sharp burning pain that usually comes soon after meals
- Pain that usually doesn't, but can, radiate to the neck, shoulders or arms
- Pain that is quickly relieved by taking liquid antacids



Heart Attack

- A tight or full feeling, dull or crushing pressure, or pain in the center of the chest
- Often occurs with activity or exertion
- Pain may spread to the shoulders, neck, arms or jaws
- Often accompanied by a cold sweat, shortness of breath, nausea or vomiting

WHEN IN DOUBT, HOWEVER, IT IS BEST TO SEEK IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION.



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Submitted by SP Okey Enyia, 32°, #51



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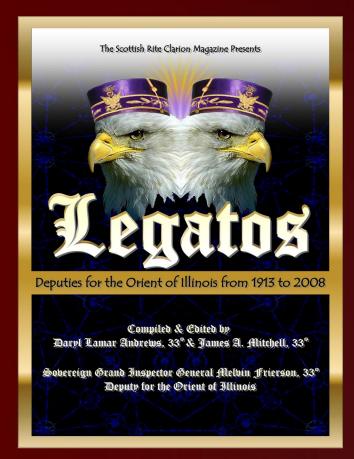
Feedback from Prior Editions

Please submit all feedback, news, events and questions from your Valleys to us at Clarion@AndrewsPress.com. It was good to see families recognized in the last edition. The Father & Sons photos of the Picketts and the Scottish Rite Mason of the Year and his family were nice touches. Are there more combos like this?

 We'll see what we can find and would like to bring more of these types of stories to the forefront.

I'd like to see the health articles continue. My children play football and the article on concussions will keep us all focused on safety.

The passing of Grand Inspector General Dave Duerson from concussion related injuries spawned this first health piece. Sublime Prince Okey Enyia of Hiram Consistory #51 deserves the credit for quickly putting together the information. He is the source for the information on Heart Burn and Heart Attacks in this issue and will be the source for more health related articles in the future. The hope is to continue to provide this type of information to place more focus on our health and welfare.



The history of the Orient of Illinois has been captured through the eyes of the Deputies for the respective eras. After reading this book, you will:

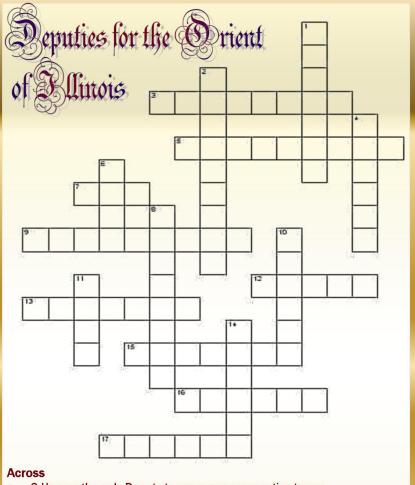
- Gain a better understanding of the organization and structure of the Scottish Rite
- Learn background information on those men who were selected to oversee the operations of the Orient
- Learn the accomplishments of the Orient of Illinois at the local and national levels under the watch of each Deputy

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- 3 He was the only Deputy to serve non-consecutive terms
- 5 Abrams was a renown Masonic _____
- 7 He was the father of a famous Tuskegee Airman
- 9 First Deputy for the Orient of Illinois
- 12 He was the first elected USC-NJ Officer from Illinois
- 13 He was a member of the team that raised Jesse Owens
- 15 Dickerson and Thomas were medical _
- ♦ 16 He was a founding member of the Phylaxis Society
- ◆ 17 He lived in the hometown of Richard Pryor

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- ◆ 1 He was the first and only Sovereign Grand Commander from Illinois
- ♦ 2 This Civil War veteran was also a Past Grand High Priest
- 4 Summers practiced this profession with Louie F. Orr
- ♦ 6 Moore, Ellington and Frierson were also active in the _____ Rite
- 8 The only Deputy to have served as Grand Master and Grand High Priest
- 10 He was a renown medical doctor from Chicago in the 1930s
- 11 Springfield pharmacist and photographer
- 14 Known as the Dean of Scottish Rite Freemasonry

I was truly impressed with the poem written by Brother Andrews. The poem was beautiful but we'd also like to see more information on the Golden Circle. Do you have a list of the State Grand Loyal Lady Rulers?

I earned a ton of "cool points" from my wife for the poem that I initially
wrote for her. The Fraters see the Loyal Ladies in the same light. We'll
work on more articles but we also need your assistance. Please send
articles, poems, photos, etc. Our goal is to report on all of the activities
of the Orient and our Loyal Ladies are a large part of that.

There are a lot of things happening in Joliet and the article titled "Where did all of the Black People Go?" by SGIG Walton was right on point. One question though—did all of the Black People go to Joliet?

 Hah! Some probably did. Be on the lookout though for more articles like that. SGIG Walton has a lot more to offer and the Valley of Joliet continues to submit the works that they do for publications. The article on SGIGs Gayles and Abrams was great. The care taken on the write-ups must have been time consuming since those covered are now deceased. Who will be covered next?

Thanks. The write-up would not have been possible without the information provided by GIG Mitchell, GIG Barlow and Loyal Lady Claire Walker. We are doing our due diligence to cover all of the angles. Since printing the write-ups we have obtained more details and will publish those soon in another separate work. Sovereign Grand Inspector General Richard E. Moore is covered in this edition. He is the first elected United Supreme Council Officer from Illinois. The upcoming editions will feature Illustrious Levi H. Morris, Illustrious Dr. Walter N. Thomas and Illustrious Hannibal Cox. Did you know that one of these three was the father of one of the famous Tuskegee Airman? We also plan to do a special interview with Sovereign Grand Inspector General Charles Stewart in the near future.



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Organizing Scouting Programs

A meeting will be held on Friday, January 27, 2012 @ 7:00PM at 708 East 42nd Place in Chicago to establish and organize community Scouting programs for boys and girls.

- Boys: ages 7 (or in 1st grade) to 11 years old to be Cub Scouts
- Girls: ages 5 (Daisies) to 11 years old to be Brownies
- Boys: ages 11 to 18 years old to be Boy Scouts
- Girls: ages 11 to 18 years old to be Girl Scouts
- Boys and Girls: ages 14 to 18 years old to be Venturers or Sea Scouts

In order to establish Scouting units at the Grand East, we must have leaders. They must be over 21 year of age, take Youth Protection Training which is available online, register and pay the registration fee. Come out and be a part of an organization that has been saving our youth for over 100 years.

Sublime Prince Norville R. Carter, 32°
Western Consistory #28
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