



Most Excellent Union Grand Chapter

HOLY ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF FLORIDA & U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS, INC.
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INSTALLATION WEEKEND PROCLAMATION

June 1, 2022

Most Excellent
Dr. Elton L. Lewis K.Y.C.H.
Grand High Priest

Right Excellent
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Deputy Grand High Priest

Right Excellent
Andre Reed
Grand King

Right Excellent
Craig E. Hall K.Y.C.H.
Grand Scribe

Right Excellent
Jose "Tito" George
Grand Treasurer

Right Excellent
Canary Williams
Grand Secretary

Right Excellent
Rev. Ernest L. Powell
Grand Chaplain

Excellent
Jordin T. Chandler
Grand Chair of Foreign
Correspondence

Our 119th Annual Grand Convocation of the Most Excellent Union Grand Chapter Holy Royal Arch Masons of Florida & U.S. Virgin Islands, P.H.A. was a phenomenal success and we are off to an excellent start of this administration. I am immensely grateful to have been elected to serve as the Grand High Priest of all capitular masonry and for your support and prayers. This Grand Chapter along with that continued support will take capitular masonry to heights not yet seen before!

Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

Isaiah 43:19

Capitular masonry in this Jurisdiction is indeed alive and thriving! Companions all over have been reinvigorated and have a new-found fervency and zeal that has ushered in a new era in Royal Arch Masonry. We will capitalize on this exciting time and produce good work, true work, and square work.

CALL TO ASSEMBLE

Now, by the prerogative of this office and in conformity with the Constitution and By-Laws governing the Most Excellent Union Grand Chapter, Holy Royal Arch Masons of Florida & U.S. Virgin Islands, Prince Hall Affiliated, I, Most Excellent Dr. Elton L. Lewis KYCH, Grand High Priest of all Capitular Masonry, call all elected and appointed Grand Officers, Excellent High Priests, Kings, Scribes, Secretaries and Treasurers to assemble for our 2022 Installation Weekend commencing on September 9th and concluding on the 11th 2022 in Melbourne, Florida.

LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS

The host hotel for this event is the Melbourne Hilton Rialto Place located at 200 Rialto Place, Melbourne, FL 32901. The hotel can be reached at (321) 768-0200 to make your reservations. Book your rooms under the group name of "**MAUGC Heroines of Jericho Mid-Year Conference.**" The room rate is \$119 per night plus applicable taxes/fess for a single or double room. Reservation cut-off date is August 15, 2022. (After August 15, 2022 reservation requests are confirmed on guestroom and convention rate availability. If the rate is not available, the prevailing hotel rate will apply.)

We are expecting a larger than normal attendance at this event, so make your reservations early. Please do not over book rooms. Reservations are made with a major credit card. The Grand Chapter will not be responsible for cancellation charges or overbooked rooms.

REGISTRATION

Registration is \$30.00 and must be received no later than August 15, 2022. **THERE IS NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION.** Chapters must pre-register all 5 elected officers: Excellent High Priest, King, Scribe, Treasurer and Secretary.

All Companions who serve as Joshua or Court Director for the Heroines of Jericho are expected to register with their local HOJ Court and not your Royal Arch Chapter. This is strictly enforced. Please understand that it should not be expected that the local HOJ Court will pay your registration for you.

Registrations should be mailed directly to the Grand Secretary, Right Excellent Canary Williams at P.O. Box 16303, Pensacola, FL 32507. Attached is the registration form. Make all checks and money orders payable to the "M.E.U.G.C." If you send a check there will be a \$35 fee on any returned check plus bank fees. Individuals can also register using PayPal by sending funds to hra.grandtreasurer@gmail.com.

ATTIRE

For all events on Friday, Companions can wear Royal Arch polos. On Saturday, all Companions are to dress in full Royal Arch dress, to include black suit, red tie, crown, apron, and appropriate collar.

All companions who need to have any regalia consecrated can bring them for the consecration ceremony on Saturday.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTED OFFICERS

All elected local chapter officers must be installed on Saturday, September 10, 2022. Those who do not attend will not be permitted to serve in their position until they are duly installed. Excused absences will be considered on a case-by-case scenario and will be approved by the Grand High Priest via the Zone Administrator.

ORDER OF THE PRIESTHOOD

All newly elected Excellent High Priests must receive the Order of the Priesthood to serve in that office. The Order of the Priesthood degree will be conferred on Friday, September 9, 2022 at 4:00 pm. Late arrivals will not be permitted to enter the room. Those unable to attend will not receive the Order of the Priesthood until January at the York Rite Workshop and the outgoing Excellent High Priest will serve in that capacity until the Order of the Priesthood degree is obtained by the newly elected Excellent High Priest. The fee for the Order of the Priesthood degree is \$50.00. All checks and/or money orders should be made payable to "M.E.U.G.C." We will also have the Inaugural "Feast of the Seven Tables" Friday evening after the King Contest.

STATEWIDE MARK MASTER DEGREE

All new members must receive their Mark Master degree (4th degree) at Installation Weekend on Saturday, September 10, 2022. There will be no dispensation granted for conferring of the Mark Master degree locally. All applications and fees for participating candidates **MUST** be in the hands of the Grand Secretary no later than August 15, 2022. There is no registration fee for candidates receiving the Mark Master Mason degree at Installation Weekend. Candidates are required to be present for a mandatory training on Friday, September 9, 2022 at 4:00 pm at the host hotel.

Any chapter that currently has candidates who already received the Mark Master degree (prior to the date of this proclamation) MUST register those candidates for Installation Weekend at a price of \$40.00. Those candidates will only be permitted to attend the training classes and the Mark Master degree work.

KING CONTEST

The annual King and Queen Contest will take place on Friday, September 9, 2022 at 7:00 PM. The Theme for the 2022 King/Queen Contest is "The Royal Family of Kings and Queens." The king contestants are asked to report their monies on or before 4 PM, September 9, 2022 to Grand King Andre Reed or the Grand Secretary. The winner of the king contest will have an opportunity to represent the jurisdiction at the 2023 General Conference King Contest. Each District Deputy Grand High Priest is responsible for ensuring that his district is represented and a minimum of \$500 is reported. All king contestants are requested to wear African Attire. If you don't have the attire, please wear all black. If you have any questions or concerns, please, do not hesitate to contact Grand King Andre Reed.

GRAND CHAPTER BOOK OF MARKS

The Most Excellent Union Grand Chapter will adopt an Official Book of Marks for Companions of the Jurisdiction to have their official mark left in perpetuity amongst the archives. Every Companion in attendance can have their mark placed in the Grand Chapter Book of Marks on a first-come-first-serve basis at a cost of \$20.00. All sitting Past Most Excellent Grand High Priest will be exempt from the \$20.00 fee.

In closing, I ask for your continued prayers of intercession for me as I go to the Supreme High Priest of Heaven and Earth in intercession for you. Let "Holiness to the Lord" be engraved upon all your thoughts, words and actions.

This communication is to be read in its entirety during each meeting before Installation Weekend and a copy made available to each member via email or regular mail.



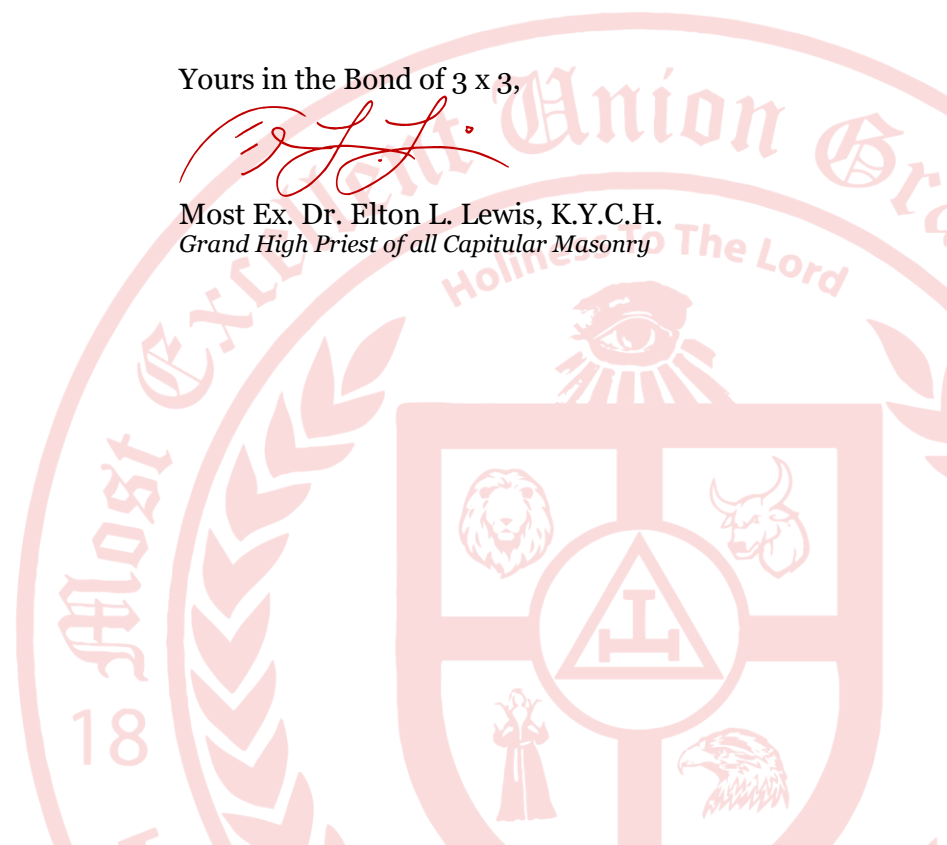
ATTEST,

Canary Williams

Rt. Ex. Canary Williams
Grand Secretary

Yours in the Bond of 3 x 3,

Most Ex. Dr. Elton L. Lewis, K.Y.C.H.
Grand High Priest of all Capitular Masonry





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Holy Royal Arch Masons State of Florida & U.S.V.I. & Jurisdictions, Inc.

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Most Excellent Dr. Elton L. Lewis, K.Y.C.H. – Grand High Priest

INSTALLATION WEEKEND AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 9-10, 2022

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	
Fri. Sept. 9	1:00 PM	Registration	Rt. Ex. Canary Williams
Fri. Sept. 9	4:00 PM	Deadline for King Contest Submissions	Rt. Ex. Andre Reed
Fri. Sept. 9	4:00 PM	Order of Priesthood Degree	Rt. Ex. Peter J. Bruton
Fri. Sept. 9	4:00 PM	Training Class – Candidates for Mark Master Degree	Rt. Ex. Craig E. Hall
Fri. Sept. 9	7:00 PM	King & Queen Contest	MEUGC HRAM & MAUGC HOJ
Fri. Sept. 9	9:00 PM	Joint HRAM + HOJ Hospitality	MEUGC HRAM & MAUGC HOJ
Fri. Sept. 9	9:00 PM	Inaugural “Feast of the Seven Tables” – <i>EHPs and PHPs ONLY Admitted</i>	
Sat. Sept. 10	8:00 AM	Conferring of Mark Master Degree	Statewide Degree Team
Sat. Sept. 10	10:00 AM	Official Unveiling and Signing of Grand Chapter Book of Marks	Rt. Ex. Dr. Elton L. Lewis
Sat. Sept. 10	10:30 AM	Officer Trainings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EHPs – Most Ex. Dr. Elton L. Lewis • DDGHPs/ADDGHPs – Rt. Ex. Peter J. Bruton • Kings & Scribes – Rt. Ex. Andre Reed • Secretaries – Rt. Ex. Canary Williams • Treasurers – Rt. Ex. Jose “Tito” George 	Grand Cabinet
Sat. Sept. 10	10:30 AM	Training Class – Newly Received and Acknowledged Mark Master Masons	Rt. Ex. Craig E. Hall
Sat. Sept. 10	11:30 AM	Official Installation of Elected Subordinate Chapter Officers	Most Ex. Dr. Elton L. Lewis
Sat. Sept. 10	12:00 PM	Consecration Ceremony	Rt. Ex. Rev. Ernest Powell
Sat. Sept. 10	12:15 PM	Final Remarks	PMEGHPs Department Heads Most Ex. Dr. Elton L. Lewis Hon. Jeffery G. Jones
Sat. Sept. 10	1:00 PM	Benediction and Closing of Installation Weekend	Rt. Ex. Rev. Ernest Powell