

**MOST ILLUSTRIOUS H. R. BUTLER GRAND COUNCIL  
ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS, JURISDICTION OF GEORGIA  
PRINCE HALL AFFILIATION**

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March 20, 2017

**PROCLAMATION**

**HEAR YE!**

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**TO:** All Grand Council Officers, Thrice Illustrious Masters, Deputy Masters, Principal Conductors of the Work, Captain of the Guard, Treasurers and Recorders and Companions of subordinate Councils owing allegiance to the Most Illustrious H. R. Butler Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Georgia, Prince Hall Affiliation.

**GREETINGS:**

By the power in me vested, I, Joel Mendis Sr, Most Grand Thrice Illustrious Master of the Most Illustrious H. R. Butler Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, Jurisdiction of Georgia, hereby call all elected and appointed Grand Council Officers, Thrice Illustrious Masters, Deputy Masters, Principal Conductors of the Work, Captains of the Guard, Treasurers, Recorders, and Companions of Subordinate Councils, to assemble for our 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Assembly to convene on September 21, 2017 to be held at the **Marriott Atlanta Airport Hotel, located at 4711 Best Road, College Park, GA 30337**, beginning promptly at 9:00AM.

**All Elected Grand Council Officers** are to wear black tails and white vest and **all appointed Grand officers and District Deputies** are to wear black tails and purple vest, and all unless otherwise stated, are to wear a black suit, white shirt, black socks and shoes, with purple accessories, crowns or proper headgear (No Skull Caps!) and collars. The business of the Grand Council will not be lengthy; however, ample time will be taken to cover all the important agenda items.

District Deputies are to have your stewardship reports ready to be read at the Grand Assembly!

## HOTEL RESERVATIONS, ROOM RATES & PARKING

The official hotel of the 2017 Assembly will be the Marriott Atlanta Airport Hotel at the address listed above. Room reservations for this event will be made by individual attendees directly with Marriott reservations at **1 (800) 468-3571 or (404) 766-7900**.

The room rate is **\$89.00** per night (single or double), subject to applicable state and local taxes, (15%) with a negotiated *day of event self-parking and overnight self-parking rate of \$5.00 per car* for our group, covering our event dates. Valet Parking is available at a rate of \$18.00 per day.

The check in time is 4:00 PM and check out time is 11:00 A.M. *The reservation cutoff date is Tuesday September 5, 2017*

When registering, please identify yourself as a member of the “York Rite Masonic Bodies of Georgia, PHA.” to be eligible for the \$89.00 rate. All reservations must be secured with a major credit card or the hotel will not hold your reservation. Rooms are available NOW to be reserved!

## ADVANCED REGISTRATION

For your convenience, a reproducible copy of the advanced registration form is attached to this document. It is imperative that all attendees pre-register to ensure adequate funding to support this event.

District Deputies, you are tasked with the responsibility of spearheading the registration process for your local councils, which includes the following:

- Ensure that your council is represented by, at least, the three principal officers and the DDGTIM.
- Maintain a record of individual companions who register through your local council, (This method of registration is encouraged and affords your council the opportunity to write one check for all registrants).
- Complete a legible advanced registration form (provided) and ensure it reaches the Grand Recorder on or before the cut-off date of **September 1, 2017**. The cost for pre-registration is **\$65.00** WITHOUT a banquet ticket and **\$85.00** with a Banquet ticket.

If you have a special meal requirements PLEASE make sure, you put it on the registration form so we can make sure your needs are considered. NO SPECIAL MEAL REQUESTS will be taken outside of registration!

## ON-SITE REGISTRATION

The pre-registration deadline is September 1, 2017. Any one registering after September 1<sup>st</sup> will be considered on-site. All must register before entering the Grand Council Assembly. Same Day ON-SITE registration will begin at 7:30a.m., on September 21, 2017 for the fee of **\$100.00**. The registration form has been attached may be duplicated for your and other companions use. Please ensure that the form is complete and legibly filled out, with ALL checks and/or money orders made payable to the H. R. Butler Grand Council, and forwarded to:

Registration Committee Chairman  
PGTIM Freddie C. Grisson, Jr., KYCH  
4518 Dawn CT  
Columbus, GA 31907

Pre-registration deadline September 1, 2017

### BANQUET

The Joint Banquet will be held on Saturday September 23, 2017, starting promptly at 7:30PM. The dress code for this event will be **Western Style and Dress** or the official dress for Royal and Select Masters, or any combination of Purple and White or Tuxedos' are allowed so come out and let us have some fun while supporting your Grand Council **Western Style**.

There will also be a York Rite Cookout on Friday after the Grand Assembly from 7.30 pm, FREE with your registration badge. So come out and fellowship and support your Grand Bodies!

### 2017 YORK RITE ANNUAL CHARITY SCHOLARSHIP

This year the York Rite Bodies will be helping in the fight of Literacy by giving out books at the Annual York Rite Banquet (**Western Style Dress**). This year we are asking every Council to donate \$25.00 in support of our young boys and girls. This is the York Rite Bodies Annual Charity of Choice for 2017 so please support this campaign by sending a separate check to the Grand Recorder by September 5, 2017. Books will be purchased with the money collected and presented schools during the banquet. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

### MEMORIAL SERVICES

In an attempt to better utilize our time and promote better participation, the Memorial Service will be held on Thursday September 21, 2017 and will commence promptly at 8:00 AM.

Our newest Council, Zabud UD, will be conducting the memorial service. The GTIM is asking that all memorial team members study and be ready to deliver an outstanding performance. In addition, we are looking for volunteers to form a second team.

### ANNUAL REPORTS

Remember that your annual tax forms and funds are due in the office of the Grand Recorder no later than July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 with **NO EXCEPTIONS!!**. A late fee of One Hundred Dollars (**\$100.00**) will be assessed to any council who fails to meet the cut-off-date. Any subordinate council who fails to remit their taxes will **not be allowed to participate** in the Grand Assembly. Every Companion is encouraged to pre-register with the Grand Recorder in order for him to adequately determine how many companions will be in attendance, necessary meeting space capacity and required number of lunch and banquet meals. Please return registration forms to the Grand Recorder Comp. Freddie C. Grisson, Jr. KYCH at his address listed above. The forms presented to you by the Grand Recorder are the official forms of the Grand Council. No subordinate Council can introduce or establish forms for use in this Royal and Select Jurisdiction without the expressed approval of the Grand Thrice Illustrious Master. You have been given due and timely notice, so please, govern yourself accordingly.

AD JOURNAL

The Convention Coordinating Committee will be responsible for the ad journal for this session. Contact information has been attached to this document. The ad journal is a fund raising opportunity for the York Rite Masonic Bodies of Georgia, and should be designed to finance the production of the journal itself. The following email address [YRMBG.PHA@gmail.com](mailto:YRMBG.PHA@gmail.com) have been set-up to receive all ads for the 2017 session.

I am asking EVERY Council to do a full page Ad in order to support the Grand Council.

VENDORS

Please direct any vendor interest inquiries, forms and or requests to:

E Lawson Brock, Sr.  
3462 Clifton Farms Road  
Decatur, GA 30034  
ebrocks4653@yahoo.com

COMPANIONS GREETED REPORT

Be it known that EVERY Council and Thrice Illustrious Master is responsible for submitting a Companions Greeting Report along with \$90 for Regalia, NO EXCEPTIONS, no later than 10 days after their greeting. Reports submitted after the 10 days will be charged a **\$50 late fee**. The Grand Recorder (ONLY) will issue Membership Certificates after receipt of the report and accompanying fees.

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Yours in the secret vault,



**MOST ILLUSTRIOUS H. R. BUTLER GRAND COUNCIL**

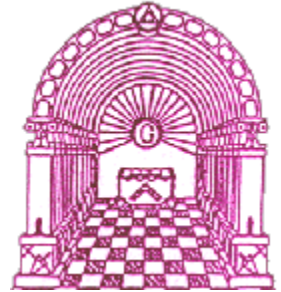
**ANNUAL SESSION**

**September 21, 2017**

**Marriott Atlanta Airport Hotel**

**4711 Best Road**

**College Park, GA 30337**



**ADVANCE REGISTRATION FORM**

*(This Form May Be Duplicated if Needed)*

\_\_\_\_\_ Council; No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fees are as follow: (Please list all names that payment is for below)**

**Advance - \$65.00 w/out banquet and - \$85.00 with banquet**

**Non-Member/Associate – (Banquet Ticket Only) - \$45.00**

**PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY**

Title	Name	Extra Banquet	Registration Fee	Title	Name	Extra Banquet	Registration Fee
* Please indicate your title and ticket requirements above				Total Amount Enclosed		\$	

**PLEASE NOTE:**  
**NO REGISTRATION BADGE(S) WILL BE MAILED**  
**ALL BADGES WILL BE PICKED UP**  
**UPON YOUR ARRIVAL**

**Make All Checks and/or Money Orders Payable & Mail to:**  
**H.R. Butler Grand Council RSM**  
**Attn: Registration**  
**4518 Dawn Ct**  
**Columbus, GA 31907**

All advanced registration requests must be received by this office or postmarked by the U. S. Postal Service on or **before September 2, 2017 with enclosed fee of \$65.00 or \$85.00.**

All Registration request received after **September 2, 2017,** will be processed as an On-Site Registration **for a fee of \$100.00** with a banquet ticket.

**Only Advance Registrations will be guaranteed a complete registration package and meal.**  
**All others will be on an availability basis.**

**Souvenir Ad Journal Request  
2017  
York Rite Annual Grand Session**

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*Prices for ads are as follows:*

Inside Front: \$100.00 W/Picture Full Page: \$65.00 With Picture  
Outside Back: \$100.00 W/Picture Full Page: \$60.00 Without Picture  
Inside Back: \$100.00 W/Picture Half Page: \$45.00 With Picture  
Half Page: \$40.00 Without Picture

*Please make Checks and Money Orders payable to:*  
**The York Rite Masonic Bodies of Georgia, PHA**

Please send all ad contracts and payments to Souvenir Book Chairpersons **ONLY**, at  
3462 Clifton Farm Drive Decatur, GA 30034.

**Please Print**

**No Ads will be accepted after September 4, 2017. Please get your ads in on time.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Ad size: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Ads as you wish it to appear in book:  
(Please Print – Use back if necessary or additional sheet) Pictures must be clear or they will  
Not be printed, no exceptions.**

**This form may be reproduced if necessary.**

**Emailed ads will not be acted upon until money is received. No Exceptions**

"When emailing ads identify them as September 2017 ad from your organizations"

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Received By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash Receipt #: \_\_\_\_\_