

# JOHN H. DEVEAUX GRAND COMMANDERY

Magnanimous Order of Knights Templar Masons  
Jurisdiction of Georgia, Prince Hall Affiliation  
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## PROCLAMATION 18- #1

TO: All Grand Commandery Officers, Past Most Eminent Grand Commanders, District Deputy Grand Eminent Commanders, Assistants, Eminent Commanders, Officers and Sir Knights of local Commanderies binding allegiance to the John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery, Magnanimous Order of Knights Templar Masons of Georgia and its Jurisdictions, Prince Hall Affiliation,

Greetings Sir Knights,

I hope and pray that all is going well for you and your families and that 2018 has nothing but success waiting for you, both in & out of Masonry. This communication is to be read in entirety in 3 consecutive meetings.

### 40 Mile/\$40 Grand Assessment

Sir Knights, this is the program that was presented at our Workshop last year, and I want to thank the 26 members that paid it immediately on-site because it showed their concern and care about the Grand Commandery's financial situation. The program being a ONE-TIME Grand Assessment of \$40.00 per Sir Knight. Everyone on roll MUST PAY, from the MEGC down. If you feel your Commandery has on individual that due to services rendered shouldn't pay it, then simply reward that person by paying it for them. It was all voluntary THEN; however, IT IS THE LAW NOW. It was Motioned, Seconded and the Heal of the Sword sounded on it. It was agreed by the entire membership present at our Grand Conclave last year, not one member voted against it. Individuals told me that they hadn't paid it yet because they hadn't seen it in writing yet. To which I said, if you were in attendance you should know that it goes in effect immediately and that you should inform members that weren't at the Grand Conclave. So, I truly hope now that it is in black & white, we can ALL get on board with doing what we all agreed upon. Once again, it is a One-Time, not annual.

\*\*\*These funds are to be sent to the Grand Recorder's office as soon as paid by members. Funds are not to be held until Tax Reports are due. Keep separate track recorder of your local Commanderies on who has paid. Remember we agreed to do some things with that money that can't wait until July.\*\*\*

## **Workshop/PEC Degree**

The Workshop/PEC Degree will be held on Saturday April 14, 2018 at Masab Temple #11, 3865 Bloomfield Dr. Macon, GA 31206. The registration for both the PEC Degree & Workshop will begin at 8am. Workshop registration will be \$15 per member and lunch will be provided. PEC Degree work will begin promptly at 9am by President Antonio White. Workshop will begin immediately following the degree work. Cost for the PEC Degree is \$25.00 per candidate. Honorary PEC Degree is \$50.00 each and a resume showing reason for consideration needs to be submitted to the Grand Recorder and pre-approval needs to be authorized by the Grand Eminent Commander. Honorary PEC submissions need to be postdated to the office of the Grand Recorder by March 15, 2018. Itinerary for Workshop will be forwarded via email to membership throughout the Jurisdiction.

## **Email Communications**

Sir Knights we have over 300 members on roll; however, there are less than 60 members on the Grand Recorder's email recipient list. If you are not getting emails from HPGEC Larry O. Jackson, then you'll have to get in contact with him. The best way is to email him and inform him that way he can copy & paste your email address to the John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery email list. Calling him, or texting him doesn't always relate to being transferred to the computer. The Grand Recorder's email is [larryoj@comcast.net](mailto:larryoj@comcast.net). All Eminent Commanders, Generalissimos, Captain Generals, Recorders, District Deputies, and Grand Commandery Officers MUST be on email list so that you are aware of all Grand Commandery communications.

## **Regional Jurisdictional District Zoning**

Below you will see the Regional Jurisdictional District Zoning breakdown. This was implemented to give everyone a key person for Eminent Commanders & District Deputies to speak with and keep the Grand Commandery informed of upcoming events (i.e. Banquets, Anniversaries, Dubbings, Community Services, etc.). District Deputies you are to report activities, questions, & concerns to your assigned Zoning Coordinator.

### **Jurisdictional Coordinator – DGEC Edward Russell**

Hinesville – E. C. Williams #28 & Savannah – St. Phillips #9

### **Central Coordinator – GG C. E. Alexander**

Macon – Mark Frazier #15, Columbus – D. P. Nespitt #5, Americus – Sam B. Bone #32, Musella – Levi Sherman #13 & Irwington - Richard M. Rozier U. D.

### **Southern Coordinator – GCG Luther Moore III**

Albany – Thronateeska #8, Brunswick – Elmo V. Myers #27 & Valdosta – U. Sharps #29

### **Northern Coordinator – GP Tyrone Hartesy**

Atlanta – St. John's #4, Augusta – Oscar C. McCombs #21 & Griffin – Dannie L. Surry #33

## **Grand Commandery Fundraiser**

DGEC Edward Russell (912)572-4823 is the P.O.C. for our ongoing Grand Commandery Shirt Fundraiser. Ordering sheets have been distributed throughout the Jurisdiction since the Workshop last year. It is a great way for us to promote Knights Templar and be uniformed while doing it. If you have any questions, feel free to contact him.

## **Grand Commandery State Patch**

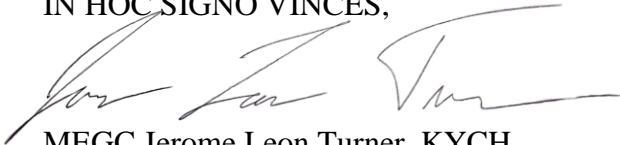
Currently we are getting a new provider for our John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery Patch that is authorized to wear on the upper left shoulder of all official Commandery uniforms. Please don't get personalized ones made in the meantime. We want to maintain uniformity throughout the Jurisdiction. With one patch with the same colors, font and size. Once we have a vendor, I will disseminate the information out.

## **Annual Church Visit**

I would like to thank all those that attended our Annual Church Visit this year. It was not well attended; however, those of us that did attend had a great time, and the Church truly showed us appreciation & love. HPGEC Joel Mends had a successful Toy Drive the day prior as GTIM and brought the remaining toys to the Church to be distributed to the children present.

In Closing, I found out in life that Men do what Men want to do. Masonry like many of our hobbies, are of our own free will and accord. Remember the oaths and obligations we took to become Sir Knights, and the promises we made to each other in regard to what we were willing to do to help each other. Read this again and ask yourself what does Knights Templar mean to you and what is it worth?

IN HOC SIGNO VINCES,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jerome Leon Turner', written over a faint, light-colored background.

MEGC Jerome Leon Turner, KYCH  
Jurisdiction of Georgia



**John H. DeVeaux Grand Commandery**  
**Knights Templar Masons**  
 Jurisdiction of Georgia and the U.S. Virgin Islands  
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## Application for Past Eminent Commander's Degree

The following Sir Knight has been recommended for the Actual \_\_\_\_ or Honorary \_\_\_\_ Past Eminent Commander's Degree to represent our Commandery:

Commandery Name: \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason Sir Knight is recommended:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

5 or more year's service in which office and for which years:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Community Service: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Voted in Local Commandery: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Eminent Commander's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature and Seal of Recorder

This form must be sent to the office of the Grand Recorder NLT January 15<sup>th</sup>

Larry O. Jackson  
 2230 Bartlett Drive  
 Savannah, GA 31404

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Eminent Grand Commander's Signature

Date Received by Grand Recorder: \_\_\_\_\_

Accompanying Fee: Actual \$30 / Honorary \$50 \_\_\_\_\_

(Attached additional information if necessary)