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S.G.I.G. DeJohn K. Hampton, 33°

Shortly after Memorial Day weekend, members of the Magnolia Council of Deliberation received communication of the selection of a new Deputy. Born in the small delta town of Cruger, MS. Sovereign Grand Inspector General (S.G.I.G.) DeJohn K. Hampton, 33° was appointed Most Illustrious Commander-in-Chief & Deputy for the Orient of Mississippi. He was first educated at S.V. Marshall High School in Tchula, MS and later obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Management from Belhaven University in Jackson, MS. We had the opportunity to interview Deputy Hampton about his new role.

What were your thoughts when you received notification that you had been chosen for the appointment as Deputy for the Orient of Mississippi?

When Sovereign Grand Commander Hawkins appointed me as the Deputy for the Orient, I was overwhelmed with emotion but all I could do was give thanks and gratitude to my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

MEET THE NEW DEPUTY

By Illustrious Steven Crawford, 33° Managing Editor and Illustrious Steven Lockhart, 33° Dir. Information Technology & Staff Photographer

As I was sitting on the edge of the bed, I immediately started thanking God because I knew it was only through his grace that this was all made possible.

Secondly, I thought about the hard road that I had traveled being fully committed and devoted to Prince Hall Freemasonry over the years. The examples of God's blessings when bestowed upon you, when you do what is right in life are many times indescribable. The only feeling that comes to mind is having "JOY" because I know the Lord's presence is near. Only because of his grace and mercy, will I be able to continue on my journey.



DEPUTY HAMPTON WITH FRIEND AND MENTOR DEPUTY ROBERT GLENN FROM THE OREINT OF ALABAMA

"It's all about the Orient, not me!"

What are your top three goals for the Orient?

- To ensure that our history is safeguarded and that our Sublime Princes and Grand Inspectors General who have worked tirelessly for the Rite over the years are never forgotten.
- 2. To strengthen the Masonic Knowledge among all Fraters and Loyal Ladies through Ritualistic Training and Education Symposiums.
- 3. To enhance our ability for members to receive communication in a timely and effective manner so that they may have firsthand knowledge of the dedicated work that our Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Dr. Corey D. Hawkins, Sr., 33° is disseminating.

How can the Orient help you achieve these goals?

Our Orient can achieve these goals if all of us work together as a team and not as individuals. By doing so, we will understand that it must be about the Orient and not ourselves. We must also foster alternative thinking methods. We must be open to fresh ideas and encourage growth within our membership. These elements are crucial for the future of our Orient.



Deputy Hampton giving a report at The United Supreme Council's Annual Session Jacksonville, FL in October, 2022

What do you see as the most challenging factor for the Orient?

I would say, that the most challenging factor that I see, is us holding on to the past. Fraters and Loyal Ladies doing things the way we have always done them. That's not to say, that they are wrong and can't be utilized but we also must know that for our Orient to grow and develop, we must be willing to make a change first, within ourselves.



Deputy Hampton with
Deputy Emeritus Dr. Allen Stewart

What accomplishments are you most proud of in your first year as Deputy for the Orient?

Overall, I am most proud of the support that has been given to me as the Illustrious Deputy. In the first 70 days, I was amazed by the complete turnaround that was made by our Orient in support of the ad sales for the United Supreme Council. We also have been able to grow our Golden Circle with the addition of two new Assemblies and the reinstatement of another. These actions help fuel the fire of our Magnolia State Grand Assembly. Another thing that is near and dear to my heart was the establishment of the Consistory in Meridian, MS. This Consistory was named after my Best Friend, Sublime Prince Jason A. Fisher, who was serving as our Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Most Excellent Prince Hall Grand Chapter of Holy Royal Arch Masons at the time. This was an emotional moment for me because I knew he would be so proud of my appointment and of the Fraters from Meridian for finishing what he started. "To God Be the Glory". I truly thank him for his blessing upon our Orient!

What are five things you would like the Fraters and Loyal Ladies to know about you?

- 1. I I ove God who is the Father and Giver of All.
- 2. I am Humble and will always treat you with respect.
- 3. I am devoted to the Scottish Rite and making our Orient the best in the Southern Jurisdiction.
- 4. It is not about me but it is all about the Orient.
- 5. Finally, yet importantly, God has blessed me with a gift and I am going to use it to the day that he calls me home.

How can the Fraters and Loyal Ladies assist you with your agenda for the Orient?

Fraters and Loyal Ladies can assist by offering up their talents and abilities. However, more importantly by being dedicated and supportive members within their respective houses. If our Fraters and Loyal Ladies participate within those houses and the Consistory or Golden Circle, it will help foster growth and more respect for the Scottish Rite and our practices.



What plans do you have to grow the Orient?

My plans to grow the Orient start with our support of the United Supreme Council. By supporting Dr. Hawkins and his vision, it will allow our Fraters and Loyal Ladies the opportunity to see that changes are being developed from within the United Supreme Council to the Orient of Mississippi. This is important because if you never travel outside of your home, you will never find new or innovative ways to upgrade or build upon a structure that in time will need repair. Secondly, through our mid-winter conference. This conference will allow us to have time to increase the training of each Officer from the respective Consistories and Assemblies. Training agendas will include items from the Ritual, Constitution, and By-Laws and approved operations of our United Supreme Council.

How will you assist the growth of the Order of the Golden Circle?

I will assist in the growth of the Golden Circle by fostering an open dialogue with our Heroines of Jericho and Order of Eastern Star Sisters. This will allow those who might not be aware of the functions of the Golden Circle an opportunity to learn and understand its inner workings and importance. In addition, each Consistory is asked to work toward assisting any Golden Circle that is in its Valley and to have events where they can support one another.

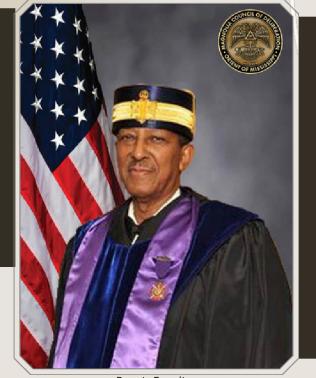
Masonic Experience

- Past Master Thornton Lodge # 132
- Past Master of Mt. Moriah Lodge # 719 Past Patron
 William Afford Chapter O.E.S.
- Past Joshua Queen Esther Court No. 172 (HOJ)
- Past State Grand Lecturer and Assistant to Grand Master of Masons of Mississippi
- Past High Priest of Phillips Chapter # 46- A
- Past 5th District Lecturer Holy RAM
- Past Grand Lecturer Holy Royal Arch Masons
- Past President Melchizedek Order of High Priesthood
 Past Deputy for the Southern Alliance HRAM
- Past General Grand Conference Grand Master of the 3rd Vail
- Past Southern Alliance President for the Southern 9
 States
- Past Thrice Master of Andrew Stewart Council # 2
- Past Eminent Commander of St. John Commandery #2
- Past Most Excellent Grand High Priest of M.E. P. H.G.C. of Mississippi
- Past Eminent Prior and member of Alabama Priory #14 K.Y.C.H.
- Attained the 32nd degree as a Member of Jackson Consistory #117
- Elevated to the 33rd degree and became an honorary member of the United Supreme Council of Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction.
- Coroneted as a Sovereign Grand Inspector General and Active Emeritus member of the United Supreme Council 33rd Degree of the A.A.S.R.
 Southern Jurisdiction.
- Appointed Chief of Security for the United Supreme Council 33rd Degree
- Grand Thrice Illustrious Master of the Most Illustrious Grand Council of Royal Select Masters of Mississippi.

Illustrious Deputy Hampton has presided over many houses within the Masonic Order but he values his love for God and has a passion of devotion and love to serve others. To this date, he still lives by the scripture: For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord,' plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Jeremiah 29:11

THE BANQUET GETS A NEW

NAME



Deputy Emeritus Ill.Dr. Allen Stewart,Sr., 33°

Often in our history, it is tradition to recognize and celebrate people's contributions to Prince Hall Freemasonry. For the man we are about to honor, the tradition continues. On June 15, 2022, at 6:00 pm, the Officers of the Magnolia Council of Deliberation voted unanimously to name the Annual Awards Banquet, the Illustrious Dr. Allen Stewart, Sr., 33° Awards Banquet as a show of appreciation for his many years of faithful and dedicated service. Deputy (Emeritus) Stewart served as the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Deputy for the Orient of Mississippi from 1986 until 2022. Deputy (Emeritus) Stewart provided the Magnolia Council of Deliberation with exceptional counsel in Scottish Rite Freemasonry during his tenure.



By Sublime Prince Kelvin Thompson, 32° Staff Writer

Over 40-plus years of service is a momentous accomplishment. Still, doing it with respect, honor, and integrity to the Order is extraordinary. Presiding Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Deputy for the Orient of Mississippi Illustrious DeJohn K. Hampton, 33°, stated, "We must not forget those who had come before us because this organization was established and continues to stand on their shoulders." "That is why the banquet is getting a name change, and I am proud to say Illustrious Dr. Allen Stewart deserves this honor." To commemorate this occasion, on April 22nd, 2023, a resolution was presented during the first annual banquet to Deputy (Emeritus) III. Dr. Stewart and a copy of the resolution will be a permanent record in the archives of the Magnolia Council of Deliberation for the Orient of Mississippi. To make this historical moment more special, the presentation was witnessed by the Sovereign Grand Commander of the United Supreme Council, 33°, Illustrious Dr. Corey D. Hawkins, Sr., 33°, Most Worshipful Grand Master Maurice F. Lucas Sr., and other Deputies for the Orients of the Southern Jurisdiction. Deputy (Emeritus) Illustrious Dr. Allen Stewart, Sr., 33°, the members of the Orient of Mississippi love you! Congratulations and best wishes!

WHAT TO WEAR?

MASONIC DRESS FOR ALL EVENTS



By Illustrious Steven Crawford, 33° Managing Editor



"I know we all like to add style to our dress but that style makes our dress improper."

Some of these things seem elementary, but we must go back and reinforce them to Fraters so that they understand proper Masonic Etiquette as a Scottish Rite Mason. In our Orient, we will follow the Constitution and General Regulation of the United Supreme Council,33° Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Prince Hall Affiliation, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A., Inc. I know we all like to add style to our dress but that style makes our dress improper. Earrings, different color socks, and shoes with light-colored soles, even though they are comfortable and look good they are not allowed. All of these things bring attention to you and are not in compliance with our rules and regulations.

Masonic Dress falls into the proper etiquette of any Masonic Body. Why do we have a dress code, you ask? The reason behind the dress code is to show that every man is equal as a Freemason, no matter their background. We all come from different walks of life therefore, wearing the same dress puts everyone on a level playing field.



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MASONIC DRESS FOR ALL EVENTS

In accordance with our Constitution and General Regulation, a Dark Navy Blue or Black Suit, Black Shoes, with dark soles, Black Socks (with no color), White Shirt, and a Black Bow Tie is proper Masonic Dress.

Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret dress shall be Masonic Dress with Crown, gloves, and proper jewel of the thirty-second degree, worn on the left breast.

Knight Commander of the Court of Honour Dress shall be Masonic Dress with gloves, Red Cap, with jewel worn on the left breast.

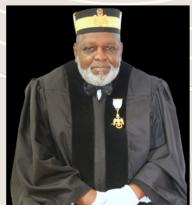
Grand Inspectors General dress shall consist of the official Crown, Masonic Dress with gloves and a double-headed eagle cast gold plated 33° with wings down and a white ribbon drape. Grand Inspectors General should also wear a black ceremonial robe with velvet in front.

Joseph B. Henderson (JBH) Commanders of the Rite Dress for Fraters that purchased a Gold Blazer, the proper attire to be worn with it is a White Shirt, Black Bow Tie, Black Shoes, Black Socks, and Black Slacks, with White Gloves. It is a business casual dress that should be worn only at the direction of the Illustrious Deputy for the Orient. At no point during its wear, should you wear jeans or tennis shoes with the JBH Blazer.











CAP / CROWN

BLACK SUIT

JEWEL

The United Supreme Council In Review



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Rejuvenatior of the Rite

The United Supreme Council, 33° Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Prince Hall Affiliated, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A., Inc. hosted its 136th Annual Session during October 6-11, 2022 in Jacksonville, FL. This year, the Orient of Mississippi followed the motto of the United Supreme Council, "Rebuilding the Rite Stone by Stone: through Remembrance, Revitalization, and Recommitment."

Our Orient sent Seventeen Fraters to receive the Knights Commander of the Court of Honour (K.C.C.H.) Investiture; Twelve Fraters were elevated to the degree of Grand Inspectors General. After only placing three ads in the United Supreme Council's Souvenir Journal the previous year, we were awarded third place in Most Souvenir Journal Ads sold and Most Improved Orient in Ad Sales.











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THE ORIENT GROWS



By Illustrious Steven Crawford, 33° Managing Editor





Let us ask the question of what brings growth. Growth comes about through many different factors; Leadership, teachings, diversity, and bringing forth new ideas. All of these factors and more give excitement and motivate others to be part of growth. This year, we have had the pleasure of adding a new Consistory and three new Assemblies to the great Orient of Mississippi.

Jason A. Fisher Consistory #145 was warranted on August 13, 2022, in Meridian Mississippi. Upon being established, it garnered the request of 40 new petitioners. It was the vision of the late Sublime Prince Jason A. Fisher, 32° to establish a Consistory in the City of Meridian, which encompassed the surrounding areas of Philadelphia, DeKalb, Newton, and other surrounding counties. SP Fisher's dream was to exert the best endeavors to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Scottish Rite Freemasonry. SP Kelvin Thompson, 32°, SP Thomas Adams, 32°, and SP James Harrison, 32° were appointed as the first three principal officers for Jason A. Consistory #154 and have been tasked by the Deputy for the Orient, to lay the foundation and bring the late SP Fisher's dream to reality.

THE ORIENT GROWS

The Order of the Golden Circle is the Women's Auxiliary in Scottish Rite Freemasonry and gives the Sisterhood a way to promote service and charity. Loyal Ladies participate in community events, social activities and support, and related functions that are deemed charitable. They are led by the Deputy for the Orient, ILL. DeJohn K. Hampton,33° and the State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler Jenifer Daniels.





During a Magnolia State Grand Assembly workshop that was held in Gulfport, MS. on July 30, 2022, Ladies were initiated to warrant Vicksburg Assembly #110 (Vicksburg, MS.) and members of R.L. Pendleton #105, (Hattiesburg, MS.)





On August 6, 2022, an initiation for the Golden Circle was held in Jackson, MS. by the Magnolia State Grand Assembly where members for James C. Gilliam #145 (Clarksdale, MS.) and St. John Assembly #335 (Southaven, MS.)





DEPUTY VISITATIONS

2022-2023











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Orient of Mississippi 64th Magnolia Council of Deliberation and the 49th Magnolia State Assembly was held on April 21 – 23, 2023 at the M.W. Stringer Grand Lodge located at 1072 J. R. Lynch Street, Jackson, MS 39203. Vicksburg Assembly #110 made history during the "Queen" contest on April 21, with less than nine months in existence; they came home with the crown by raising the most funds for the Queen contest and thus crowning Loyal Lady Queen Hatfield.

She is a mother of two (2) children a girl and a boy. The oldest Qunna Hatfield, who attends Alcorn State University, will be graduating with the grace and mercy of God with a Bachelor's Degree in Physiology in the fall of 2023. Her son the late Malcolm Hatfield was shot and tragically succumbed to his womb on September 13, 2022. She holds a bachelor's degree in Healthcare Administration from Belhaven University.

She is currently in the midst of establishing a Nonprofit Foundation that will focus on individuals that have been involved in gun and domestic violence.



Queen has worked at the Mississippi Department of Transportation for the past seventeen (17) years. Prior to that, she worked eight (8) years at a private company.

She wants to thank all of her supporters, because her journey and success could not have accord without each of you. She thanks her escort and Consistory, Carl Coleman Captain of the Guard of Vicksburg Consistory #110.

Knowing that God has a plan, Queen is allowing God to have his way in her life by asking, seeking, knocking, and getting (Luke 11:9-13) what God has for her and her family because God equips whom he calls, not call those that are equipped (Hebrew 13:20-21). Queen's desires to open up a nursing home, care home, dependable living home, or foster home in the near future.

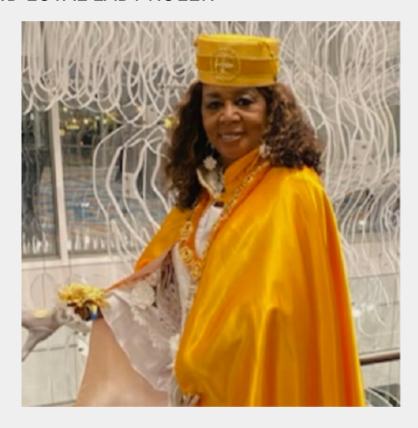
SPECIAL SPOTLIGHT

PAST STATE GRAND LOYAL LADY RULER

A native of Winona, Mississippi, Past State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler Daniels graduated from Kilmichael High School in Kilmichael, Mississippi. After marrying an Air Force Veteran and traveling throughout the world, she was blessed with three kids, two daughters, Lawanda and Robin, and a son, the late Derrick Daniels, who lost his battle with Acute Leukemia. PSGLLR Daniels is very proud of her girls; both Lawanda and Robin have Master's Degrees. They both are currently working towards their Doctoral Degrees.

While traveling throughout the world and raising three kids, PSGLR Daniels obtained many certifications in Management and Customer Service. However, her passion has always been for hair, which led her to the American Beauty College, where she completed, and became a Licensed Cosmetologist. Later, led by God, she became a Certified Personal Care Assistant.

Her interest in the Masonic Order sparked as a little girl watching her mother leave home dressed in white to attend meetings. In April of 1998, she joined King Solomon Assembly #142, Order of the Golden Circle, where she served as Secretary for several years and as the Standard Bearer. She later joined other Masonic Auxiliaries within the Prince Hall Family. Her Masonic Biography also includes the Tower Chapter (later Light House Chapter NO. 953) Order of the Eastern Star, serving as Ruth, Secretary, and Associate Matron, Eureka Court #44, Heroines of Jericho, serving as Secretary. She is also a member of Unity Court Ladies of the Circle of Perfection where she currently serves as Ceremony Conductress.



In 2015, under the leadership of Past Deputy III. Dr. Allen Stewart, 33°, PSGLLR Daniels became the State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler for the Magnolia State Grand Assembly where she proudly served until April 2023. Under her administration, the Grand Assembly became more stable and experienced growth. Her greatest accomplishment was the birth of the Queen Pageant, which is held annually in April during the Magnolia Council of Deliberation. The Queen Pageant was established to highlight the talents of the Loyal Ladies within the Magnolia State Grand Assembly and to generate additional funds for the membership.

When asked what advice she would leave the membership, she said, her motto is and has always been the motto for the Magnolia State Grand Assembly, "Peace and Unity." We must always render "Peace and Unity" to the Sisters and Brothers of this Grand Order!

United Supreme Council Charitable Foundation

United Supreme Council, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Prince Hall Affiliated, Southern Jurisdiction Charitable Foundation. A cumulative total of \$100,000 is being given out to HBCUs and deserving charities throughout our Jurisdiction.

M. W. Stringer Grand Lodge received a donation to help benefit those affected by the water crisis.

Let us also congratulate Tugaloo College for receiving the H. M. Thompson endowment scholarship and Rust College for receiving the Dr. Allen Stewart scholarship contribution.

We are thankful for the leadership of our Sovereign Grand Commander, Dr. Corey D. Hawkins, Sr., 33°











Presenting at the Chat and Chew with a focus on Mental Health during the Orient of Mississippi 64th Magnolia Council of Deliberation and the 49th Magnolia State Assembly was Dr. Stacy Vance. She is a member of Vicksburg Assembly #110.

Who is Dr. Vance?

Dr. Stacy Vance a Professor of Medical Laboratory Science in the Department of Diagnostic and Clinical Health Science at the University Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) and works as a part-time reserve deputy for the Hinds County Sheriff's Department as Lieutenant Vance on the weekends fighting crime. Her community service also includes serving as the vice president and a member of Friends of Fallen Riders, a motorcycle organization that focuses on community service platforms such as Anti-Bullying, Domestic Violence, and Human Trafficking. She wears many hats, which makes her a force to be reckoned with.



What does Dr. Vance want us to remember? Studies show 43% of American Adults with Mental Health conditions do not seek treatment. We need to stop the Stigma attached to admitting we are experiencing a mental health crisis and we need to talk about it. A mental health crisis can occur at any age and can be magnified due to life events. Text 988 or 741741 (text home) that provide free 24/7 support.

Magnolia Council of Deliberation extends Congratulations

We want to acknowledge and congratulate two gentlemen on their elevation to the 33rd Degree, The last degree of Scottish Rite Masonry and to the title of Grand Inspectors General at the 136th Annual Session Jacksonville, Fl. Although not from Mississippi they are connected to the State's Masonic History, John Debro from Alabama (grandson to the late Joseph B. Henderson, 3rd Deputy for the Orient of Mississippi and whom our Commanders of the Rite is named after), and Thomas F. Stringer. Jr. from Georgia (the nephew the of late Thomas W. Stringer who started Prince Hall Masonry in the State).



Pictured L-R Mark Pulphus, John Debro, Thomas Stringer, Jr., Lucious Turner, III, and Steven Lockhart



Pictured L-R John Debro and Thomas F. Stringer, Jr.

Magnolia Council of Deliberation's Virtual Workshop

The Magnolia Council of Deliberation held its first Virtual Workshop that focused on training Fraters in Proper Masonic Dress and how to use the United Supreme Council's Data Base. The Magnolia Council of Deliberation and Magnolia State Grand Assembly will host its fall Mid-Year Virtural Conference on **January 6**, **2024**.



Happening around the Orient



This picture is a true depiction of what hard work and dedication can achieve not only with outstanding leadership but as a team. Loyal Lady Ruler Sheila Stewart and the Loyal Ladies of the newly formed Vicksburg Assembly #110 were awarded the Assembly of the year. We could only have accepted such an award with our counterpart Vicksburg Consistory #110, under the leadership of Illustrious Commander-in-Chief Willie Williams,33°.

Thank you to the Past State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler Jennifer Daniels and Deputy for the Orient III. DeJohn K. Hampton, 33°.



Our Forever Host

Loyal Lady Dr. Tonea Stewart, an actress and native of Greenwood, Mississippi was the Mistress of Ceremony at the Magnolia State Grand Assembly during the 3rd Annual Queen Pageant for the Order of the Golden Circle. Loyal Lady Stewart is a tenured Professor and the Dean of the College of Visual & Performing Arts of Alabama State University. She is a life member of the NAACP, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc., a dedicated Hutchinson Missionary Baptist church member, and is married to Dr. Allen Stewart. They have three children and five grandchildren. She is a woman of many accolades, and there is no way we can capture them in all. We salute Loyal Lady Dr. Tonea Stewart.

UNITED SUPREME COUNCIL, 33° FIRST CLASS OF KCCH

Orient of Mississippi First 17



(Pictured Left to Right): Terence Parker, Carl Gaston Sr., Louis Bridges, Timothy Booker, Sr., Luther Steele, Steven Lockhart, Mark Pulphus. (Back Row Left to Right): Greg Elliot, Carl Gaston, Jr., Steven Crawford, Nathaniel Watson, Corey Carter, Johnny Fort. (Not Pictured): Andrew Simmonds, Jerry Moore, Galen Smith, and Preston Turney

On October 18, 2021, at the 45th Triennial Session, Sovereign Grand Commander James D. Cole of the Supreme Council, Southern Jurisdiction, USA, Mother Council of the World, bestowed the Honorary Knight Commander of the Court of Honour upon Sovereign Grand Commander Dr. Corey D. Hawkins, Sr. and gave authorization to the United Supreme Council to begin bestowing

By Illustrious Steven Lockhart, 33° Dir. Information Technology & Staff Photographer

the investiture of the Knight Commander of the Court of Honor to Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret. The Knights Commander Court of Honour (KCCH), is not a Degree but an investiture. The rank and decorations of Knight Commander of the Court of Honour are bestowed on members deserving recognition for good and faithful service to the Scottish Rite. On October 7, 2022, the United Supreme Council conducted its first inaugural investiture upon Sublime Princes and Grand Inspector Generals. The Orient of Mississippi had seventeen fraters to receive this honor in Jacksonville, Fl. "To be a part of the first class was amazing. I am a part of history for years to come", said G.I.G. Louis Bridges, 33°. Sublime Princes and Grand Inspectors General wishing to receive the Investiture should contact Deputy Hampton for further details.



William Moore Jr. Class of 2022 from the Orient of Mississippi: Robert L. Beasley, Rufus Breeden, Ronnie Curris, Jr., Michael Fisher, Willie Green Jr., Samuel A. Hawkins, Sr., Corey LeRay Hudson, Benjamin Lawson, Charles Moore, James R. Patterson, Patrick Price, Stevie Stewart. not pictured: Larry L. Jones, Sr.and Sammie Taylor

Magnolia Council of Deliberation Launches first website and Social Media



The Magnolia Council of Deliberation (MCOD) is thrilled to announce the launch of its new website and social media platforms. The launch was necessary to give the MCOD visibility as an organization in United Supreme Council. This new visibility can increase membership and update members and things around the Orient of Mississippi.

The web address is msmcdphasj.org, and the Facebook address is "MagnoliaCOD," and the site features leadership names, the location of bodies, news, upcoming events, and documents. While Facebook will focus on pictorial views of the MCOD.

Ill. DeJohn K. Hampton 33°, Deputy for the Orient of Mississippi, said, "We need to utilize all outlets available to promote the work being done in the Orient of Misssissippi."

FRATERS AND LOYAL LADIES April 2022 - April 2023

His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

Matthew 25:21



Collins Consistory #190
Illustrious Woodie Woods



Baldwin Consistory #262Illustrious James Floyd



Bennie Johnson Consistory#342
Illustrious Charles Marshall



Grenada Consistory #190

Illustrious Franklin Seals Sublime Prince Tony Hemphill



Greenville Consistory#157

Sublime Prince Larry Bruce



Jackson Consistory #117

Illustrious Clifton Landfair Jr
Illustrious Antonio L. Taylor
Illustrious Charles Porter
Sublime Prince Willie E. Bradley
Sublime Prince Don M. Cain
Sublime Prince Darryl Murphy
Sublime Prince Elvin Levey



King Solomon Consistory #142

Illustrious Christopher C. Moore
Illustrious Colyar Frierson
Sublime Prince Colonious Williams



Oxford Consistory #183

Illustrious Levan Miller



Traveling Consistory #119

Sublime Prince Marcus Cobb Sublime Prince Bonnie Griffin



Vicksburg Consistory #117

Illustrious Robert B.Reed



Oxford Assembly #183

Loyal Lady Nellie B. (Holland) McClain



Brooksville Assembly #171

Loyal Lady Scherrell B.Sturdivant

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Magnolia Council of Deliberation Annual Session

M.W. Stringer Grand Lodge

1072 J.R. Lynch Street

Jackson, Mississippi 39203

April 12-14, 2024

Magnolia Council of Deliberation Pre-registration is \$50.00 for all Fraters and Loyal Ladies: On-site registration is \$75.00; Banquet and Lunch tickets are included with your registration fee. Additional banquet tickets are \$30.00 each and must be purchased by March 15, 2024. There will be no banquet tickets sold on-site. If you have any questions please contact, Ill. Patrick Morgan, 33° Grand Secretary, KSA at 601-750-6077 or patrickmorgan_67@yahoo.com.

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110 Bass Pro Drive

Pearl, MS 39208

Room rates are \$129.00 per night for king and double rooms which includes a breakfast buffet The contact number to make your reservation is 601-939-5238 (mention Magnolia Council of Deliberation) to secure that rate.

All room reservations under this rate are to be made by March 13th, 2024, after this date the "MCOD Rates" will not be available.



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