



# York Rite Legend

The Orlando York Rite Bodies meet on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays at Eola Lodge No. 207 Located at 3200 E. Grant St, Orlando, FL 32856

August - 2020

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## August Events

**August 13th:** Stated Assembly of Orlando Council No. 5, 7:30 PM



### Gainesville Chapter No. 2 Royal Arch Masons

Post Office Box 358704, Gainesville, Florida 32635-8654  
Meets at R. T. Schafer Masonic Temple 2505 N. E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Gainesville, Florida  
Regular Meetings on 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 7:30, Dinner @ 6:30.

July 3, 2020

#### To Royal Arch Masons:

**RE: Announcement of and Invitation to Gainesville Chapter No. 2 Semi - Annual Antient Craft Table Chapter Convocation.**

Excellent High Priest Harold Ritchie is pleased to Announce and Invite all Royal Arch Masons of good standing to attend and share in the Celebration of the Craft at the coming Special Convocation of Gainesville Chapter No. 2 **R.A.M.** on **Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The ceremonies of an Antient Craft Table Chapter Convocation will be held at the Gainesville Shrine Club, (8100 SW Archer Rd. Gainesville, FL 32608) beginning at 7:00 p.m. Registration will begin at 6:00. The cost is \$20.00 for a fine meal.** Dispensation has been given for this special event by our Most Excellent Grand High Priest, A.J. Ahrens III.

In addition to the well-known conviviality of the special occasion in welcoming newly Exalted Royal Arch Masons; recognizing those whom have attained particular thresholds of membership and those who have otherwise distinguished themselves in Freemasonry and the community; endearing themselves to us through and within our ancient and honorable Craft; we will have the opportunity and occasion to show our appreciation.

Additionally, our guest speaker for the evening is Most Excellent Arthur J. Ahrens, III, Most Excellent Grand High Priest. We know him to be an outstanding Companion. This occasion offers quite an opportunity to visit with him and get to know him better, investigating his ideas and proposals for our future in Royal Arch Masonry in Florida.

We expect many of the leaders both elective and appointive of several of our Grand York Rite lines (Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery) to be present and enjoy the festivities of the Table Chapter celebration. As a Royal Arch Mason you are invited to attend and participate with us.

In order to plan the food properly, please make advance reservations with the Secretary, Thomas Metcalfe at 954-651-7416 (speak clearly & leave a detailed message) or at [gainesvillyorkrite@gmail.com](mailto:gainesvillyorkrite@gmail.com) by Friday, 8-14-2020.

Zealously for the Excellent High Priest, Harold Ritchie,

*Thomas E. Metcalfe*

Thomas E. Metcalfe, Grand Sentinel  
Secretary.



## Secretary/Recorder's Corner

Sir Knights and Companions,  
For those of you who still have outstanding dues for 2020, please send your payment as soon as possible. If you're having financial issues due to ramifications of the pandemic or riots, please contact me to make arrangements. Alternately, if you haven't received a dues notice, please contact me as soon as possible with a correct address. It will be good to see everyone at the Council meeting this month.

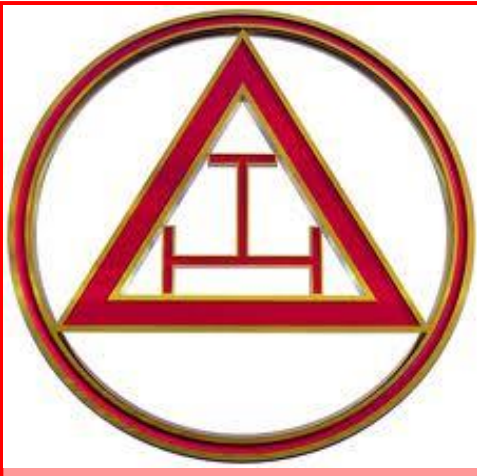
Fraternally,  
Craig Frazier  
Secretary/Recorder  
(913) 957-7651  
[Craig.Frazier@outlook.com](mailto:Craig.Frazier@outlook.com)

## Join us in wishing a happy birthday to these Companions that were born in August!

Alvarez, Jose	Johnson, James Kenneth	Sizemore, Jeffrey Lee
Baldwin Jr., Richard Oran	McKeon, Walter Lawrence	Stokes Jr., John Alvin
Dickenson, James David	McMillin, J. Richard	Triplett, William Anthony
Froede, Ronald Ernst	McNabb, Freddy Gene	Weber, Charles Gail
Howard, Leon	Ortner, Anthony Joseph	Williamson, Lawrence Alan
Hughes, Russell V.	Rollason II, Charles Horton	

## Eureka Chapter No. 7 Royal Arch Masons

Convocations held on the second Thursday of each odd month (Jan, Mar, August, Jul, Sep, Nov) at 7:30 PM



Francisco Lopez, *Excellent High Priest* (407) 435-9198, [gatordoc05@hotmail.com](mailto:gatordoc05@hotmail.com)

Dear Companions,

I hope that you are all continuing to stay healthy and safe. The Orlando York Rite Council and Chapter have reopened our meetings since June with guidelines to social distance and sanitize during these proceedings. The Commandery continues to remain closed for the time being. Our next meeting for the Chapter will on September 10th. We are scheduled to have our official visit from the R.:E.:D.:D.:G.:H.:P.: on that day. It is my intent to have a short portion of the business meeting, to allow time for a masonic education presentation, as well as have time for our DDGHP to deliver his message. As of right now, there is not a meal scheduled this meeting to minimize the common contact points that our companions could potentially be exposed to. If the situation with Covid-19 changes favorably, we will reconsider the meal and I will post it in next month's Legend entry. I again, would like to thank Companion Lozada and Galindo for their efforts during this Covid-19 Pandemic for all the wonderful online Masonic Education presentations that they gave and coordinated over these past few months. It has truly been enlightening and educational, and will serve as a blueprint going forward to add to our meetings. It is imperative that we continue to turn our focus and attention to what the York Rite is supposed to be, an educational institution for its members. Please try and stay connected with your Companions and Sir Knights through this difficult time. Should you need anything, such as help with grocery shopping or just someone to talk too, please feel free to reach out.

Fraternally,  
Francisco Lopez, *Excellent High Priest*

### 2020 OFFICERS

<b>Excellent High Priest</b>	<b>Francisco Lopez</b>
<b>King</b>	<b>Manuel E. Lozada</b>
<b>Scribe</b>	<b>Kenneth J. Mueller</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Ivan Becerra</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>C. Craig Frazier</b>
<b>Captain of the Host</b>	<b>Jerry Clark, Sr</b>
<b>Principal Sojourner</b>	<b>Jose A. Fernandez</b>
<b>Royal Arch Captain</b>	<b>Michael McMillan</b>
<b>Master of the 3rd Veil</b>	<b>Marlon Gonzales</b>
<b>Master of the 2nd Veil</b>	<b>Kenneth McGowan</b>
<b>Master of the 1st Veil</b>	<b>Enrique Galindo</b>
<b>Chaplain</b>	<b>Bobby White</b>
<b>Sentinel</b>	

### 2020 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

**Finance:** Manny Lozada  
**Visitation:** Jose Fernandez  
**Entertainment:** Ken Mueller  
**Vigilance:** Jerry Clark  
**Delinquency:** Craig Frazier  
**Director of Work:** Wendell Tomimbang  
**Charity/Fundraising:** Wendell Tomimbang  
**Technology:** Craig Frazier  
**Property:** Nelson Bonet  
**Masonic Education:** Manny Lozada  
**By-Laws:** Erik Anderson  
**Audit:** Phil Moffses  
**RARA:** Harry V. Eisenberg, MEGHP

### GRAND CHAPTER

James Dickenson, Grand Chaplain, 2019-2020  
 Harry V. Eisenberg, M. E. Grand High Priest, 2018-2019  
 Wayne Parks, M. E. Grand High Priest, 2001-2002  
*\*See pp. 6 for list of District Deputies*

### GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

Harry V. Eisenberg, Deputy General Grand High Priest for the Southeast Region 2020-2021

# Orlando Council No. 5 Royal and Select Masters

Assemblies held on the second Thursday of each even month (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec) at 7:30 PM



2020 OFFICERS	
Illustrious Master	Joseph M. Crum
Deputy Master	Manuel E. Lozada
Princ. Cond. of the Work	Francisco Lopez
Treasurer	Ivan Becerra
Recorder	C. Craig Frazier
Captain of the Guard	Jose A. Fernandez
Cond. Of the Council	Kenneth J. Mueller
Steward	Bobby White
Chaplain	G. Frank Woods
Sentinel	Dashawn Barnett

Joseph E. Crum, *Illustrious Master* (727) 492-2239 [joseph.crum@gmail.com](mailto:joseph.crum@gmail.com)

Companions,

Greetings from the Officers of Orlando Council No 5 where it is our honor to serve the Craft. With the current & ongoing COVID-19 challenges, I hope we will have our meeting on August 13th. During the Assemblies of any Council meeting we will adhere to the social distancing protocols.

Please support our C.M.M.R.F. charity by purchasing merchandise or pins listed here and on page 4.

As your Illustrious Master, I made a personal donation to our Grand York Rite of Florida for the C.M.M.R.F. Charity. That donation puts Orlando Council No. 5 of Royal and Select Masters above our yearly goal of \$1,350.

An update from the Council in the July Legend - I am recovering well from surgery with some minor issues with my right arm/hand which should disappear in time.

A few of our Companions also have medical issues. They need our heartfelt prayers & support to a have full recovery.

Yours In The Fraternity,  
Joseph M Crum  
Illustrious Master - 2020  
Royal and Select Masters



### DONOR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Because we appreciate your generosity, appropriate lapel pins and plaques are awarded based on cumulative totals.

<u>Councils</u>		<u>Individuals</u>	
		\$50	Bronze Lapel Pin
		\$100	Bronze with Stone Lapel Pin
		\$150	Silver Lapel Pin
\$1,000	Nine Arch Triangle Plaque	\$300	Silver with Stone Lapel Pin
\$2,000	Extender Bar for Plaque	\$500	Gold Lapel Pin
		\$750	Gold with Stone Lapel Pin
		\$1,000	Nine Arch Triangle Plaque
		\$2,000	Gold Lapel Pin with 2 Diamond chips

Each additional \$1,000 donation will earn another extender bar for the Council or another diamond chip for the individual.

## 2020 COMMITTEES

**Long-Range Planning:** Francisco Lopez  
**Charity & Fundraising:** Joseph Crum  
**Technology:** Manuel Lozada  
**Property:** Ivan Becerra  
**Finance:** Kenneth Mueller  
**Visitation:** G. Frank Woods  
**Vigilance:** Jose A. Fernandez  
**Entertainment:** Manuel Lozada  
**Masonic Education:** Manuel Lozada  
**Delinquency:** Craig Frazier  
**Audit:** Phil Moffses  
**CMMRF:** Harry Eisenberg, MEGHP

## GRAND COUNCIL

Robert E. Burleson, Most Illustrious Past Grand Master, 1992  
 \*See pp. 6 for list of District Deputies



Council Shirt Fundraiser to Support C.M.M.R.F.

**\$35.00** including shipping

(\$10.00 donation in your name for your Council)

Circle Your Size

S M L XL 2X 3X 4X 5X

Name on Shirt \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Council Name and Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State: \_\_\_\_\_

**Side A**

Line 1 - Name (First or First and Last)  
 Optional Line 2 - Title (Office and Year)  
*Example Below*



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Choice of Logo (Style 1 or Style 2)  
 Council Name and Number Text  
 City, State

Choose Logo

Logo Style 1

Logo Style 2



**Ship to:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**City, State, Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this order form and make Checks Payable to:  
 Thomas Olsen, 4115 Spring Creek Lane, Middleburg, FL 32068

# Olivet Commandery No. 4 Knights Templar

Conclaves held on the fourth Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM

Wendell Tomimbang Eminent Commander (407) 744-5004, wtomimbang@msncom



## 2020 OFFICERS

Eminent Commander	Wendell Tomimbang
Generalissimo	Manuel E. Lozada
Captain General	Francisco Lopez
Treasurer	Ivan Becerra
Recorder	C. Craig Frazier
Prelate	Johnny Brock
Senior Warden	Steven Czerniejewski
Junior Warden	Reginald Lyle
Standard Bearer	Michael McMillan
Sword Bearer	Marlon Gonzalez
Warder	Bobby White
Sentinel	Ken McGowan

Sir Knights,

I hope all of you and your families are staying safe with the Covid-19 still lingering, with our state getting up on the list of states with the highest number of reported cases.

There's little news or announcements to make at this time. Commandery meetings are still on hold until further notice, waiting for the Grand Encampment's orders. The Fall Festival which we typically hold to confer degrees on Petitioners to the York Rite had been canceled for safety reasons and everything is rolled over to the Spring of next year, subject to confirmation. While we have been working on membership development, the pandemic had become a major impediment to our programs, but safety above all, is more important. There will be time, hopefully in the near future for us to recover from this situation.

Circumstances bought me some time to ponder on Freemasonry as I experienced being part of it from the very beginning of my journey in this organization 3 decades ago to date where I am now actively involved with the York Rite. Where else better to start from to look back into our rituals, our passwords, their origins and other things in Freemasonry than the Holy Book, particularly, the Masonic version, which I assume many of you possess. From the Entered Apprentice degree to even the York Rite, Scottish Rite and appendant bodies, there is so much to learn and get better understanding of what we do in Freemasonry. So much to discuss to go into details, but I encourage you to start looking for that book, you may not even know where it is now since it was given to you by your Lodge.

May the Great Architect of the Universe bless us all and our country in these very trying times.

Fraternally,  
Wendell Tomimbang  
Eminent Commander

## 2020 COMMITTEES

### CHARITY:

Wendell Tomimbang

### FINANCE:

Manuel Lozada

### VISITATION:

Johnny Brock

### ENTERTAINMENT:

Francisco Lopez

### VIGILANCE:

Francisco Lopez

### DELINQUENCY:

C. Craig Frazier

### AUDITING:

Chester A. King

### K.T.E.F.:

Harry V. Eisenberg, MEGHP

## GRAND COMMANDERY

Erik B. Andersen, Grand Standard Bearer 2020/21

C. Craig Frazier, District Instructor 2020/21

Wendell Tomimbang, District Instructor 2019/20

Robert E. Burleson, R.E. Past Grand Commander, 2002/03

*\*See pp. 6 for list of District Deputies*

### GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR USA

Robert E. Burleson, R.E. Past Southeastern Department  
Commander. 2006-2009

## LIVING PAST PRESIDING OFFICERS

NAME	HONORS	CHAPTER	COUNCIL	COMMANDERY	DISTRICT DEPUTY
Phillip E. Moffses +	KYCH, Treas Em	1976	1975	1981	CH 2015, CO 1993, CM 2003
James E. Rowland*		1975	1974	1982	
Julian E. Whigham*		1982	1981		
William E. Cook	KYCH	1984	1982	1983	
Robert E. Burleson +	KCT, KYGCH	1988	1985	1987	CM 1988
Clay H. Oehlert +	KYCH	1990	192	1989	CM 1992
Wayne E. Parks +	KYGCH,	1993	2010	1993	CH 2011, CO 2001-02, CM 1994
Gerald H. Favor +	KYCH	1996	1995	1997	CH 1997
Fred G. McNabb		2000	1996	1999	
Keith W. Albright			2001		
John D. Davis				2004	
Thomas S. Rice	KYCH	2002	2003	2008	
Miguel A. Arteaga		2003	2004	2009	
James D. Dickenson +	KYCH	2004	2006	2005	CH 2007, CO 2009, CM 2008
Harry V. Eisenberg +	KYGCH	2006	2005	2007	CH 2008, CO 2014, CM 2009,2010
Patrick M. Biggs -		2007			
Richard A. Overbee*			2007		
Samuel A. Tish	KYCH	2008	2009	2006	
Rex C. Cain		2009	2008		
Erik B. Andersen +	KYCH	2012	2013	2010	CO 2016, CM 2016, 2017
Jerry McKinnon+ -		2010	2011	2011	CM 2013
Ricardo Parente + *		2011	2012	2012	CH 2012
Leibnitz P. Soares				2013	
Theodore Hammond		2013	2014	2015	
Edward L Smallwood +		2014	2015	2014	CH 2018
Nelson Bonet		2016	2018	2018	
Craig Frazier +		2017	2016	2019	CH 2019
Ervin Janssen				2017	
Joseph M. Crum		2018			
Wendell Tomimbang +		2019	2019		CO 2020

\* Demitted from Orlando York Rite Bodies, + District Deputy - Suspended