



The Grand York Rite of Freemasonry Of South Carolina

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To: All Royal Arch Masons, Royal & Select Masters, and Knights Templar in South Carolina,

Companions & Sir Knights:

The Annual Meeting of the York Rite Bodies of South Carolina will be held on Friday and Saturday March 8 & 9, 2024 at the Columbia Scottish Rite, located at 7230 Garners Ferry Road. Columbia, South Carolina, and all functions will be held there.

The Annual meeting will begin Saturday March 9, 2024, at 9:00 AM with the Knights Templar Religious service, followed by a Joint Session and introduction of Distinguished Guests, and individual bodies.

Our order of business for this year is Commandery, Chapter, and Council, with a Joint Public Installation of All Officers will follow immediately after the close of all Sessions.

An electronic copy of the preliminary reports will be sent to your local secretary/recorder for distribution.

Each Companion and Sir Knight wishing to attend the 2024 Annual Meeting must contact the Secretary/Recorder of your local York Rite by February 23, 2024. Companions and Sir Knights eligible to vote or their proxy will be noted by the Secretary/Recorder on the appropriate Credentials Form and sent by email to the Grand Secretary/Recorder no later than March 1, 2024.

Check in will be available at the Scottish Rite center on Friday morning at 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM, while the chair degrees and education are being conducted, and again on Saturday morning at 8:00 AM.

A Grand Banquet will be held on Friday March 8, 2024, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM in the Dining Room catered by Hilda Catering. Additionally, Lunch will be catered by Matthew's Barbeque House on Saturday, March 9, 2024 from Noon – 1 PM. Please use the attached form as reservations are required for both. Mail your banquet/lunch reservations along with your payment to SC Grand York Rite, 109 Bally Bunion Lane, Columbia, SC 29229 by February 23, 2024 to receive the early-registration discount. After that date, the early-registration discount will not apply.

There will be a Ladies event in the morning of Saturday, March 9th, 2024 with a luncheon.

There are hotels in the area for your choosing if you wish to stay the night on Friday. The headquarters hotel will be the Hampton by Hilton Southeast – Fort Jackson, 201 E. Exchange Blvd. Columbia, SC, 29209. Phone: (803) 217-3999 and you will be responsible for your own hotel reservations. Here is a booking link:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/caefjhx-90b-1c4fd7b6-782a-4999-888d-2f743f5fe309/>

Should you prefer to call in and make a reservation, please call 1-800-HILTONS and ask to book a room in the **SC Grand York Rite** or mention the code **90B**.

Please note, the group rate is available to book until Friday, February 23, 2024. After that date, guests looking to book, will be directed to book the best available rate either online, or through an agent.

Thomas H. Martin Jr.
MEGHP

Edward E. Smith Jr.
MIGM

Ted C. Thomas
REGC

South Carolina Grand York Rite Session March 8 – 9, 2024

Meal Reservations

Must be received by the Grand Secretary/Recorder by February 23, 2024, for the discount to apply

Name: _____ Your York Rite located city/town) _____

Title: _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Lady's Name (please indicate below if attending banquet and/or ladies lunch) _____

Early-Registration Discount (must be received by February 23, 2024)

Banquet and Lunch No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$45.00 each = \$ _____

Ladies Banquet and Lunch No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$45.00 each = \$ _____

-or individually-

Banquet only (for all): No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$28.50 each = \$ _____

Lunch only: No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$16.50 each = \$ _____

Ladies Lunch only: No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$16.50 each = \$ _____

Check # _____

Total \$ _____

Registration (received after February 23, 2024)

Banquet and Lunch No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$55.00 each = \$ _____

Ladies Banquet and Lunch No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$55.00 each = \$ _____

- or individually -

Banquet only (for all): No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$35.00 each = \$ _____

Lunch only: No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$20.00 each = \$ _____

Ladies Lunch only: No. of Tickets: _____ @ \$20.00 each = \$ _____

Check # _____

Total \$ _____

No Refunds will be issued after March 1, 2024

Reservations received after March 1st cannot be guaranteed and are subject to availability.

The only reservation ... is a paid reservation.

Mail Reservation and Payment to:

SC Grand York Rite
109 Bally Bunion Lane
Columbia, SC 29229

NOTE: ATTENDANCE AND VOTING REGISTRATIONS MUST BE MADE SEPERATLY
WITH YOUR LOCAL SECRETARY/RECORDER BY FEBRUARY 23, 2024.