



GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS INTERNATIONAL

Organized October 24, 1797

Words from the General Grand East October 2022

Dear Companions,

Where Have the Heroes Gone?

Organized October 24, 1797, General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, International, is now 25 years into its third century and it is more important than ever. Masons, since the founding of the Craft, have been champions of public education, social justice, thoughtful patriotism, and religious toleration.

For many years "famous Freemasons" were highlighted in Masonic Publications. They were historic examples of integrity, bravery, and self-sacrifice. The purpose in highlighting these Masonic heroes was that we might also be encouraged to model their lives and actions in our own generation. We need to let the legacy of our Masonic heroes live through us.

Who you and I are in our daily life determines what kind of world we inhabit and what kind of world we leave for our children and grandchildren.

We don't inherit the world. We create it. We shape our own destiny – and the world in which we live – by the choices we make, the actions we take, and the way we decide to live our lives.

The parent who reproves their child when they hear a religious slur come from their mouth.

The father who explains the "Pledge of Allegiance" to his children helping them to understand that our nation's flag protects everyone.

The Brother who talks to his friends about The Royal Arch and signs the petition because he wants his friends to share in the great spiritual wealth of The Royal Craft.

The Royal Arch Mason who supports Royal Arch Research Assistance that one day a cure may be found for Central Auditory Processing Disorder.

Yes, these daily life decisions help shape our world and the world of our children yet to come.

Remember Aesop's fable about the tortoise and the hare? The hare is fast and swift, the tortoise, slow and steady. But we all know who wins the race. It isn't the hare who gets a great start but then falls asleep on the job. It's the tortoise who can't run a fast sprint, but who can be relied upon to finish the race. The lesson we have all come to know is that "slow and steady often wins the race." Live a life of consistent daily decisions to make a difference. Consistency wins.

Nothing grand, nothing extraordinary, yet consistent and persistent. Your constant acts of quiet righteousness make you a hero.

Humble acts of dedication are real value, even more than dramatic demonstrations of bravery and heroics. Teachers, public servants, dedicated parents — they are the true heroes, and we can be those heroes, too. We don't need to do anything extraordinary — just be extraordinarily dedicated to all we do.

Royal Arch Masons are builders. We are to be building a world of light, truth, honor and compassion, one stone at a time.

Being a Masonic hero isn't about any one act. It's not about any grand display of righteousness or any single act of leadership. Masonic greatness is in the ability to do what you do consistently, day-in and day-out, every single day of your life.

Yes, we are relevant to the world. Perhaps we are more relevant than ever before.

In our chapter rooms, lessons are taught which free men from the dark. When we put those lessons into practice in our daily lives, we become the Masonic heroes of today.

Faternally,

Steven Tiner,

General Grand High Priest,

General Grand Chapter

Royal Arch Masons International



NOT ALL HEROES



WEAR CAPES — SOME WEAR — APRONS

King's Komments By Teko Foley General Grand King

October 2022

Companions,

We are back to happy sailing and though some very limited precautions are still needed to prevent any late spread of that virus which will now remain nameless, we are fully back to safe in-person gatherings, as we all resume the pleasure of our cheerful and warm embrace whenever we meet in person in Chapters, Grand Chapters, Regional Conferences, and other masonic events. This has proven to be a good time to catch up for lost time since the 18 months or so confinement. More than the usual number of candidates are being received in lodge and chapters and this is a very good thing. The effort to grow our membership is showing to be successful and I hope your Grand Chapter is equally on this path of growth at this time and will continue for years to come.

Speaking of in-person gathering, the month of September has been extremely busy with regional conferences where our companions have had the opportunity not only to grow their network and exchange ideas, but also to learn a thing or two on leadership and masonic education.

The northeast regional conference was once again held at the Crown Plaza hotel in downtown Albany, for our companions to come together to exchange ideas about programs that worked and those to avoid, and to meet the counterparts in the region. Our DGGHP MEC David W. Schuler did a great job putting a great conference together, in collaboration with the regional leadership of the General Grand Council and the Grand Encampment.

The south-central regional conference was held in the beautiful Sam's Town resort in Shreveport Louisiana on September 16-17 with more than 80 companions in attendance from Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Louisiana and more in the wings from Texas. This was a well-organized conference and I commend our DGGHP MEC Dick Browning and the Grand High Priest of Louisiana MEC Martin Reinschmidt for their superb leadership and hard work.

The last regional meeting of the month of September was the Latin American conference held in Lima Peru. This is a combination of 3 regions (North, Central South America), extending from Mexico to Brazil. This conference though initially planned to happen in Mexico, was relocated and organized by the companions of Peru, under the leadership of MEC Alexandro Mite the Past Grand High Priest of Peru. This was jointly organized in collaboration with and the participation of the General Grand Chapter, the General Grand Council and Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the USA. It was one of the most attended conference yet, with close to 200 companions attending. The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Peru gave his full support and attended a good part of the meeting, and that was very encouraging to the companions. It is worth noting that several companions travelled more than 8 hours by air to be in attendance. There was a good deal of information exchanged and a very persistent theme among all the groups attending which was to grow York Rite Masonry in harmony and working together for the benefit of all companions and Sir Knights. Though that York Rite Unity is not completely smooth yet, everyone at the conference took along with them that strong appeal to have open dialog to resolve any misunderstanding or unfortunate situations that may have occurred in the past. This was quite an enjoyable event, and the energy was at the apex at the conclusion of the conference that Saturday evening with the grand banquet with the ladies, family members and companions, to celebrate the successful completion of the event. I salute the leadership and hard work of DGGHP Marcos Ostrander and Odilon Flabiano Ayala and most especially MEC Alexander Mita and his team for the successful event.

Companions, we are now within sticking distance of our upcoming Triennial meeting which is now set to happen on August 12 to 16, 2023. The venue is now set to be in Branson Missouri in the superb resort hotel of Chateau On The Lake. I pray that we can make every effort to attend this event which promises to be memorable. The last Triennial was held virtually, and we all know that something of a warm in-person presence of each other was missing. Now we can gather again and enjoy each other's company and celebrate the General Grand Chapter and all the great accomplishments of our General Grand High Priest, MEC Steven Tiner. Let's not miss it. Please plan and be there.

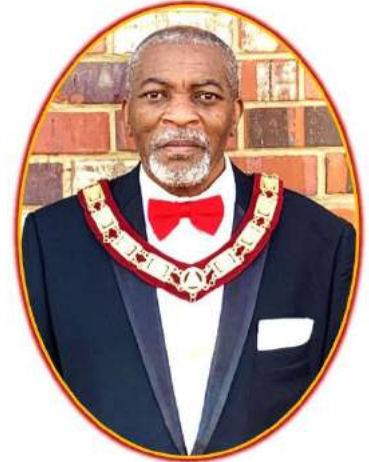
I pray that you stay safe and blessed, until we meet again.

Teko A. FOLLY

General Grand King

General Grand Chapter

Royal Arch Masons International



October 2022

Companions

Slow and Steady?

I'm sure you've all heard the age old expression, "slow and steady wins the race." While this may be sage advice for some situations, unfortunately it is the death knell for Freemasonry.

We have a very bad habit in Masonry of thinking we are more important than we are and/or loving the sound of our own voices. Please note this isn't directed to anyone in particular, as I believe we are all guilty of it at some point. However, our problem is that we have some people who excel in long-windedness and the rest of us don't call that person out and we begrudgingly accept it.

The fact, my dear friends, should we choose to acknowledge it or not, is that no one likes a long meeting and no one likes wasted time. Unfortunately, we have tolerated it for so long in Masonry that we not only have come to expect it, but find it rude or pointless to try and make a change. I urge you to fight that innate reaction and to stand up for brevity!

First off, younger Masons have an attention span far shorter than yours or mine. Not only do you lose their attention at long meetings, events, or banquets, but you start to irritate them. They become tired and then start thinking about better things they can do with their time instead of Freemasonry. Even more serious is the tremendous amount of pain we are causing our wives. They patiently wait for us in usually less-than-favorable environments while we ramble on due to lack of leadership, bluster, or inefficiency. I can't tell you how many ladies I've heard complain about long meetings, or even worse, long banquets (I'm not kidding – more than 100 ladies easily). Guess what? When you lose your lady's support because she is either bored out of her mind or tired of being a Masonic widow, you'll have to make a choice; and like most others who have made this choice, the end result will be the fraternity losing another member.

For some unknown reason, Grand York Rite banquets are particularly bad. As someone who has attended many, many of these grand banquets across the country, I can tell you that about 80 percent of them are far too long. Long banquets lead to unhappy wives and groggy members for the next day's sessions (which usually start at 8 am). These banquets typically run long because we give out too many awards, start the presentations too late, the awards are not presented efficiently, or the General Grand guys or Grand Encampment guys talk too long. Most often it is a combination of the above. No York Rite banquet should ever go over 2 hours. 90 minutes is ideal, but past 2 hours, never.



Scribe's Scribbles Continued...

Here are some ideas to help YOUR banquet and/or meeting be a huge success:

- 1. Have all the awards already out of the box and unwrapped. Pin cases already opened, pin backs off, etc. Have them all organized, in order, and know if all the recipients are present or not. If someone is not present, skip the award and present at a later date. It does no good to talk about someone for 10 minutes who received an award but isn't present; he won't hear you and deserves to hear it in person.**
- 2. Do not read the full text of every certificate you present. This is not only unnecessary, but incredibly boring. Many presenters don't know what else to say so they just read the certificate. Reference the certificate or reference the content, but please don't read it.**
- 3. If you are a speaker, keep it short! The General Grand and Grand Encampment guys generally speak in the individual sessions and that is where the bulk of their comments should remain. Ladies and guests have no idea what the Grands are talking about anyway, so keep it in the tiled session.**
- 4. Don't present minor awards. If you have an award for the 15 people on drill team, etc, do not present this at the banquet and talk about each person. YES these Companions and Sir Knights are deserving, but there are better ways and places to do this. Keep the minor awards to the local Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies OR present them during the individual grand sessions. Also, "personal" awards from the presiding head do not belong at the banquet – that is just vanity.**
- 5. Don't introduce too many people. I've been to banquets where dozens of people were introduced, taking over 40 minutes. If you MUST introduce people at the banquet, stick to the presiding heads and important dignitaries only. Using the simple phrase, "please hold all applause until the end" will save you a tremendous amount of time instead of clapping for each individual.**
- 6. Why is there a rule that dinner must be at 7 or 7:30 pm? The majority of our members are advanced in age and actually prefer an earlier dinner. This makes even more sense considering our sessions generally start at 8 am (even earlier for those to be introduced). How about a banquet that starts at 6 or at least 6:30 pm? I promise you that your membership will thank you. If your response is, "We won't have time to get ready after the meeting is over at 5 pm," then how about running a more efficient meeting that concludes around 3:30 or 4 pm? Earlier banquet means more hospitality room.**
- 7. Don't wait until dinner is completed to start your presentations. You can start your presentations or speaker as soon as the salads are served. Presentations involve only the presenter and the receiver, so you are only inconveniencing and interrupting the meal of 2-4 people at most. Believe it or not, people can pay attention to your awards and eat at the same time. If you start presentations once everyone has their salads, your banquet can be completed in 90 min and everyone will be happy, happy, happy!**

Thank you Companions for letting me harp on one of my favorite topics – saving time! I truly believe that spending more time on brotherly love and less time on formality is what will save our beloved fraternity. Don't get me wrong, I think all York Rite banquets are important and critical and I do enjoy attending each and every one of them . . . let's just all work together to make them a bit MORE enjoyable for everyone. ;)

PS - If you utilize some of the tips above and make your meetings and/or banquet more efficient, please drop me a line and let me know about it so I can celebrate your success!

God Bless,
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DID JAH KNOW?

October 13th On this date in 1778, the Grand Lodge of Virginia was organized



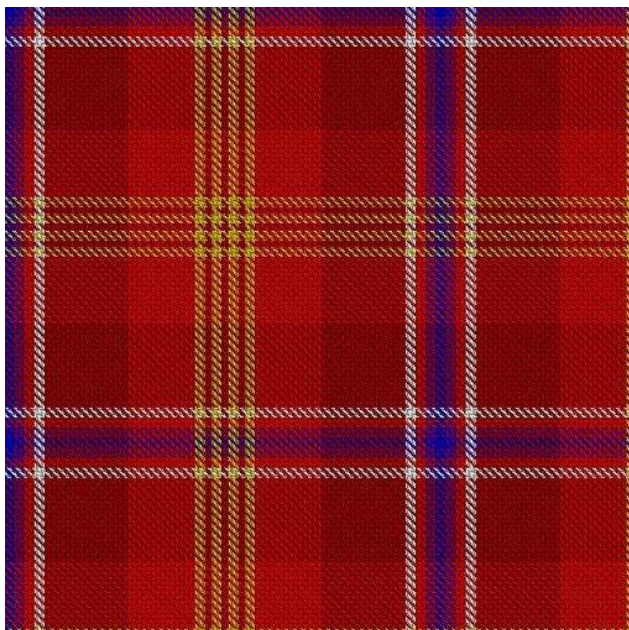
October 14th On this date in 1989, the Grand Lodge of Connecticut recognized the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Connecticut. This was the first U.S. recognition of Prince Hall Masonry that remained in force, and led to similar actions by most of all U.S. Grand Lodges.

October 16th, On this date in 1800, the Grand Lodge of Kentucky was established



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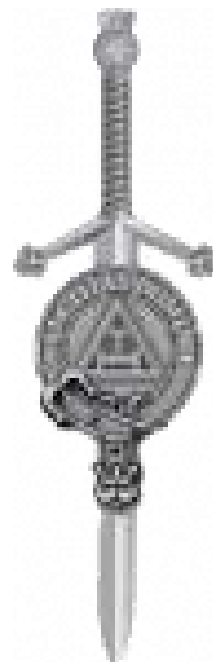
General Grand Chapter now has it's own, registered Tartan that is being made available in Kilt form to all Royal Arch Masons. There are accessories available and, after the initial Kilt order, there will be other items as well. Please go to <https://ggcrami-kilts.com> for more information and to order.

This effort is starting like a kickstart campaign. We need 26 kilt orders to get the process started, Once we get the initial orders, we'll be able to offer ties, vests and other tartan items.

Again, the link for the webpage is <https://ggcrami-kilts.com>

If you have any questions after reviewing the page, please message Rod Waggoner, PGHP, Arizona.

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Thank you, Companions!

10 months in operation and we have sold Kilts, Vests, Ties, Accessories and Gifts to Royal Arch Masons across the country and now, even overseas! There have been sightings of our wares at various Grand Sessions and it's been said, general satisfaction with what has been produced. We're grateful for your patronage and hope to continue bringing items that will bring pleasure to yourself and honor to our Capitular Clan!

For Questions or Suggestions contact

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Customer Photos!



Companions in their Tartans! (LEFT) MEC Dennis Tomsen, 3rd Grand Principal of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Denmark in his Syd Kilt and Regalia (RIGHT) MEC Dick Browning, Grand Secretary/Recorder of the Grand York Rite of Arkansas and DGGHP for General Grand Chapter, South Central Region looking well turned out in his GGChapter Formal Dress set. Companions, send your picture to us for inclusion in the newsletter!

Fielding questions about the Rite?

WHAT ROYAL ARCH MASONRY IS

Founded in 1797, in Boston, Massachusetts, as a national organization, the General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, International now has jurisdiction over half the 7,000 Chapters in the world, including several provinces in Canada, the Grand Chapters of USA, Philippines, Germany, Italy, Portugal, and many chapters in Central and South America. Upon your exaltation as a Royal Arch Mason you will become a member of the oldest and largest rite of Royal Arch Masonry.

WHO ROYAL ARCH MASONS ARE

One of the most fascinating aspects of Royal Arch Masonry has always been how so many men, from so many different walks of life, can meet together in peace, never have any political or religious debates, always conduct their affairs in harmony and friendship, and call each other brother. No Rite of Freemasonry covers the world so much as does Royal Arch Masonry. In every country of the earth, on every continent and on many isles of the sea, Will be found Royal Arch Chapters, eager and willing to receive their companions from other parts of the world into that full fellowship that characterizes Royal Arch Masonry.

WHAT ROYAL ARCH MASONS BELIEVE IN

All Royal Arch Masons believe in one God and in respect for each other.

WHAT ROYAL ARCH MASONS DO

Royal Arch Masonry contains some simple, plain statements of Truth, easily understandable and helpful in our relation to life. Lodge symbolism deals with lessons of the material side of life. The Chapter degrees, and particularly the Royal Arch, deal with the spiritual side of life. Upon your exaltation as a Royal Arch Mason you will become a member of the oldest and largest rite of Freemasonry. QUALIFICATIONS Royal Arch Masonry is the logical step for every Master Mason to take. If after becoming a Royal Arch Mason, you desire to continue your studies, you may take the Council Degrees and the Commandery Orders, both of which are illustrative of and carry forward the principles of the Royal Arch. Any Royal Arch Macon will eagerly propose your name as a candidate for the advancement in the mysteries of Freemasonry.

THOSE WHO SEEK MEMBERSHIP

Anyone seeking Membership in the Royal Arch must sign a Petition, stating his age, occupation and place of residence. Members of the Chapter vote by ballot. To be accepted, the ballot must be unanimous.

THE ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER

What has attracted so many Brethren to seek further light in Royal Arch Masonry?? The Royal Arch Degrees was considered most important in the early years of Freemasonry and so dogmatic was the Mother Grand Lodge - from which all Speculative Masonry derives - that in 1813, when the two grand lodges in England united, a firm and solemn landmark was adopted and placed in the Articles of Union to guide Masons throughout the world forever on this matter: "Pure Ancient Freemasonry consists of but three degrees, that of Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, and Master Mason, including the Supreme Order of the Holy Royal Arch." The Chapter of Royal Arch Masonry consists of four degrees, Mark Master, Past Master, Most Excellent Master, and Royal Arch Mason.





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Knights Templar are Arrested

October 13 in Masonic history the Knights Templar are arrested in 1307.

The Knights Templar, also known as the Poor Knights of Christ, was a monastic order. They were also known as fighting monks.

By 1307 the crusades were winding down. The Knights Templar had become less of a fighting order and more of a group of bureaucrats. They established a banking system of sorts through out Europe. They had loaned money to a variety of people including King Phillip of France.

In 1307 King Phillip invited his friend Jacques DeMolay, who was the head of the Templars at the time, to France for the wedding of one of King Phillip's cousins. This was actually a ruse to get DeMolay to France. King Phillip was in heavy debt to the Templars and was concerned about the power the Templars were able to exert in his kingdom.

On October 13th, 1307 (a Friday) King Phillip ordered the immediate arrest of all the Templars including DeMolay. He also Ordered all of their land and wealth immediately seized. At the time the Templars were a recognized and supported organization by the papacy. King Phillip sent an immediate dispatch to [Pope Clement V](#) asking him to declare the Templars outlaws and order their arrest throughout Europe. Pope Clement eventually yielded to King Phillip's pressure and declared the Templars outlaws.

For several years DeMolay and many of the other Templars were held in prison. Particularly in France information about any hidden treasures were demanded from the prisoners. They were also tortured into confessions of heresy and other crimes of the time. Under torture DeMolay confessed two times to crimes, after he was released from torture he quickly recanted.

When DeMolay was finally put to death, he was put on a stake on an island in Paris. He requested he be turned to face Notre Dame Cathedral and his hands be tied in prayer. It is alleged while he burned he asked God to strike down Pope Clement V and King Phillip. Both men died within a year of DeMolay's execution.

To this day many people feel much of the Templar's wealth was secreted away. This is in part due to the fact three treasure ships from the Templar fleet were seen on October 12th in a harbor. The next morning when the arrests began, the ships disappeared without a trace.

The date of the arrest of the Templars is believed by some to be the origin of the superstition surrounding Friday the 13th as a day of bad luck.

There is no evidence concretely linking the Knights Templar to Freemasonry. It is thought some of the Knights Templar fled to Scotland. Some gave up the order and joined the military of the country they were in, other than France. Still others joined a competing order which remained intact and recognized by the Papacy.

Masonry helps feed some of the theories the Templars are part of Masonic History.

The [Order of DeMolay](#) was created by and generally sponsored by Freemasons. York Rite, one of the appendant organizations of Freemasonry has as its final degree the making of a candidate a Knights Templar.



'Getting the Third Degree'

'Getting the Third Degree' is an expression associated with interrogation techniques.

Getting the Third Degree as an expression has been around since at least the early 1500's. One of the first known uses of it was in D. Rembert Dodoens book *Nieuwe herball or historie of planten*. In 1602 it appears in the Shakespeare's the *Twelfth Night*. In both cases it refers to the level of moisture or dryness, as well as heat and cold.

Using degrees to describe things was commonplace in the middle ages. Although the original guild lodges were around at the time that Dodoens and Shakespeare were writing their respective works, there does not seem to be any direct correlation between the masonic guilds and the expression.

Flashing forward to the early 20th century the expression 'Getting the Third Degree' began to appear in crime novels. The meaning changed from the middle ages definition regarding hot and cold, moisture and dryness to a series of unrelenting questions trying to gain information from a witness or criminal.

The more modern definition is directly tied to Freemasonry and has, at times, been specifically cited as the origin of the phrase.

From the early guild lodges, Freemasonry has been a place where information was meant to be exchanged. In the guild lodges, it was a place where education took place. It was often the only educational opportunity that individual might have if they were not members of the clergy or royalty. To advance to the next degree was to get better wages and more responsibility. It also meant to be able to travel and work in other cities and countries. This required the apprentice and the journeyman (Fellowcraft in Masonry) to be able to answer questions about mathematics and other skills in order to be advanced.

During the age of Enlightenment, when Freemasonry that we know today took shape, it was a place for the free exchange of ideas and information. Often these were ideas and information that were outlawed or considered heresy. At masonic gatherings questions were asked and answers given regarding a wide range of topics. Some of the questions would be to ensure that those who were hearing those heretical ideas could be trusted to hear them. More especially they were to test the knowledge of new initiates into Freemasonry that they had a suitable understanding of the order. This was even more essential in the places where they were "mouth to ear" lodges and Grand Lodges or Jurisdictions.

"Mouth to Ear" means that there is no written ritual books. All of the lessons of Freemasonry are taught from a more knowledgeable member of the fraternity to a newer member.

The idea of this intensive question and answer situation was adopted by individuals writing crime fiction in the early 1900's and made it's way into popular slang.



Edmund Pendleton Passes Away

October 23rd in Masonic History Edmund Pendleton passes away in 1803.

Edmund Pendleton was an American lawyer and founding father.

Pendleton was born on September 9th, 1721 in Caroline County, Virginia. His father passed away four months before he was born and it is believed his paternal grandfather helped raise him until his mother remarried. At the age of 14 he was apprenticed to the clerk of Caroline County Court. In 1737 he became the clerk of St. Mary's Parish in Caroline which got him a steady income.

In April 1741, Pendleton received his license to practice law. In 1751 he became the Caroline County justice of the peace.

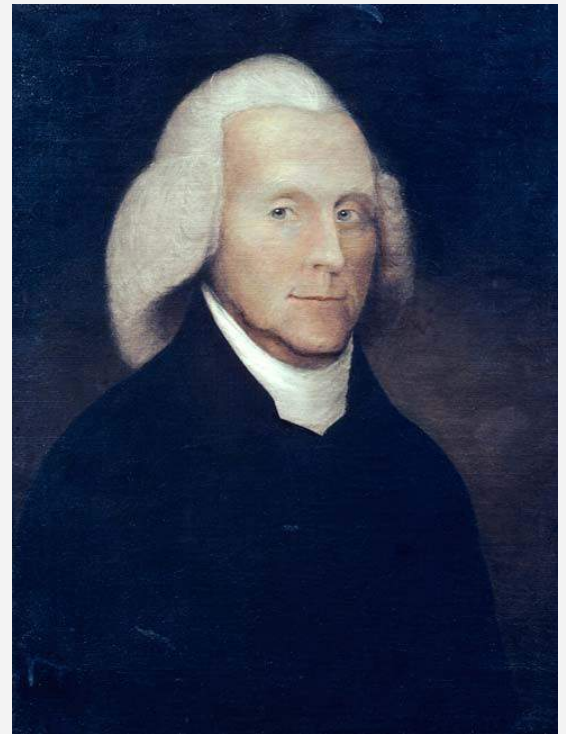
From 1752 to 1776, Pendleton served in the Virginia House of Burgesses which was the first elected body in North America. In 1766 Pendleton's mentor John Robinson passed away and Pendleton was named an executor of Robinson's estate. This involved Pendleton until he passed away. Robinson was considered the wealthiest man in Virginia and even before his passing questions arose about his true financial situation. It turned out Robinson was in substantial debt at the time of his death. The John Robinson Estate Scandal was a major financial scandal of it's time.

Pendleton served on the Continental Congress in 1774. In the beginning he was a moderate when it came to the American Revolution. He didn't oppose the Revolution, he felt through negotiation and diplomacy the Colonies could remain a British and still achieve it's goals of proper representation. In the first Continental Congress, Pendleton represented Virginia with George Washington and Patrick Henry. He was a political rival of Henry.

In 1778 Pendleton served on the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals. This later become known as the Virginia Supreme Court and Pendleton became it's first chief justice.

Pendleton passed away on October 23rd, 1803. When he passed Congress all wore black armbands and a resolution was passed stating they "regret that another star from the splendid constellation of virtue and talents which guided the people of the United States in their struggle for independence" was lost.

Pendleton was a member of Fairfax Lodge No. 43, Culpepper, Virginia.



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2020 - 2024 MISSION STATEMENT**

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- providing a source of, and administration for, the rituals of the four degrees of the American Royal Arch system.
- Assisting in the creation and chartering of new Subordinate and Grand Chapters throughout the world while maintaining our traditional standards.
- Being the primary source for developmental information concerning the formation of a Royal Arch Masons Chapter or Grand Chapter.
- Providing a means of communication, liaison and interaction for our member Chapters and Grand Chapters worldwide.
- Supporting and encouraging York Rite unity around the world in harmony with regular Grand Lodges, the General Grand Council and Grand Encampment.
- Recognizing achievement and service.
- Helping member Chapters and Grand Chapters to fulfill the obligation of all Royal Arch Masons to spread further light in Masonry.
- Promoting the progress of the Royal Craft, disseminating true Masonic knowledge, inspiring interest, and encouraging Blue Lodge Masons to pursue their search for Light and Truth to its logical conclusion through the degrees of Capitular Masonry
- Organizing a Triennial Convocation for all member Chapters and Grand Chapters to express their concerns, offer programs, legislate and elect officers for the next three years.
- Representing Royal Arch Masonry to the world in its highest tradition and heritage.

**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS INTERNATIONAL
2020 - 2024 VISION STATEMENT**

- To uphold and support the Mission Statement of the General Grand Chapter.
- To take all reasonable steps to secure membership of those Grand Chapters in North America which are not currently members of General Grand Chapter.
- To retain all existing members, helping them become true and zealous disciples of Royal Arch Masonry and not mere wearers of emblems.
- To respond to requests and to encourage development of the American Royal Arch system in foreign lands especially Eastern Europe, Latin America and Africa.
- To maximize our communication efforts through enhanced development of the Royal Arch magazine into the internet world and to maintain an electronic newsletter which serves as a method of instruction to supplement the ceremonies and lectures of the degrees.
- To live and work together in a devoted team spirit with the aim of promoting better education among Royal Arch Masons.
- To be the most useful and effective unit in the entire Fraternity in promoting the progress of Royal Arch Masonry among our member Grand Chapters through Regional Deputies and Ambassadors with duties and responsibilities to and from the General Grand Chapter to be visible as a support and a link.

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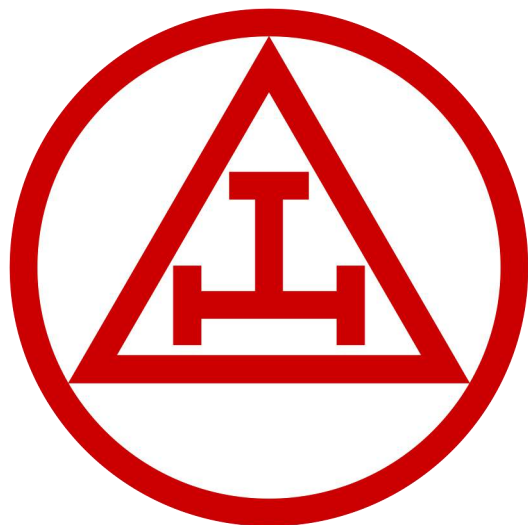
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