

HENDLEY-MACK GRAND COMMANDERY
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR (PHA), JURISDICTION OF ALABAMA

MINUTES OF THE 133RD ANNUAL CONCLAVE

JULY 18, 2025

- Dedication of the Asylum was held at 4:11 pm
- **Ritualistic Opening** – The 133rd annual session was opened in due and ancient form at 4:25 pm, Friday July 18, 2025
- **Rules Committee** – Sir Knight (SK) Quinton Burrows, Chairman, read the rules of the day for all sir knights that were in attendance. Strict adherence was encouraged to be followed.
- **Reception of Grand Commandery Officers & Right Eminent Grand Commander**
 - Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander Fred Armstead Jr. was received first followed by Grand Generalissimo Michael Brown and Grand Senior Warden George Ball
 - Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander Fred Armstead Jr. received Right Eminent Grand Commander Charles Motley Jr. and welcomed into the Asylum.
 - REGC Motley was then given his Grand Honors
- **REGC Motley** brought greetings to the asylum and thanked everyone for attending.
- **Reading of the Proclamation**
 - A motion was presented by SK Ball #8 to forgo the reading of the proclamation since it was previously emailed throughout the jurisdiction. This was seconded by SK Hall, #2.
 - Said motion was passed
- **Roll Call of Grand Officers**
 - Right Eminent Grand Commander Charles Motley Jr. – Present
 - Deputy Grand Commander Freddie Armstead Jr. – Present
 - Grand Generalissimo Michael Brown – Present
 - Grand Captain General Cliff Barren – Present
 - Grand Recorder Joseph Kimbrough – Present
 - Grand Treasurer William Garrett – Present
 - Grand Secretary-Treasurer Desmond Thomas – Present
 - Grand Prelate Lamine Long – Absent
 - Grand Senior Warden George Ball – Present
 - Grand Junior Warden Llewellyn Spencer – Present

- Grand Trustee Myron Stallworth – Present
- Grand Trustee Derrick Hudson – Present
- Grand Trustee Scott Hickey – Present
- Grand District Deputy Michael Sims (Northern District) – Present
- Grand District Deputy Joe Barrren (Southern District) - Excused
- **Roll Call of Commanderies**
 - Palestine #1 – Present
 - Persia #2 – Present
 - Godfrey #4 – Present
 - Fearn & Townsend #8 – Present
 - Ezell & Towner #10 – Absent
 - Howell & Sumpter #12 – Present
 - E. J. Fluker #16 – Present
 - Mt. Pilgrim #20 – Present
 - J.T. Howze #29 – Present
 - Israel #30 – Present
 - De Molay #42 – Present
 - Glenn & Campbell #43 – Present
 - Charles S. Foreman #44 – Present
 - M. A. Jackson #46 – Absent
 - St. John #47 - Present
 - Wiregrass #48 - Absent
 - Edward Turner #49 – Present
 - Bolden's Crusaders #50 – Present
- **Rules of the Day**
 - Read by SK Burrows
 - SK Armstead #44 made the motion to receive the rules of the day and SK Barren #1 seconded the motion
 - Said motion was passed
- **Reading of Proclamation**
 - Motion by SK Armstead to forego its reading since it was already sent out and received. This motion was seconded by SK Ball
 - Said motion was passed
- **REGC Motley received the following members of The Hendley-Mack Grand Commandery**
 - SK Donald Parks – Most Eminent Honorary Past Grand Master
 - Sir Knight Victor Pettus, Past Right Eminent Grand Commander, Most Eminent Honorary Past Grand Master
- **Minutes from 2024 Grand Conclave**
 - REGC Motley called for the reading of the minutes from the 2024 session

- SK Barren #1 made the motion to forego reading of the 2024 minutes since they were sent out electronically
- SK Thomas #42 seconded the motion
- Said motion was passed
- **Committee Assignments**
 - All folders were handed out to the respective chairperson
- **Reception of Credentials Report**
 - **Credentials** (Partial Report)
 - Number pre-registered – 96
 - Number of Eminent Commanders – 10
 - Number of Commandries – 15
 - On-Site Registration – 25
 - Total Collected - \$500
 - Motioned by SK Ball #8 and seconded by SK Hall #2 and Gray #49 to accept the partial report from the credentials committee.
 - Said motion was passed
- **REGC Motley made a financial appeal to the membership in honor of the dedication and service rendered by our very own MEGM Robert W. Glenn. This act of brotherly love was done in part due to the fact a testimonial was not held in his honor**
 - Each commandry was asked to donate \$150
 - All others were asked to donate \$50
- **REGC Motley then received PMEGM Robeert W. Glenn and his aide SK Marvin Richards into the chambers**
 - Grand Honors were then given to PMEGM Robert W. Glenn
- **Continuation of Grand Officer Reports**
 - **Grand Royal Lady Advisor Report**
 - SK Barren #1 gave his report on his stewardship
 - SK Ball #8 motioned to accept the report
 - SK Lewis #49, SK Sims #29, and SK Moore #1 all seconded the motion
 - Said motion was passed
 - **PMEGM Robert Glenn #43** made a motion for the body to receive all pertinent reports that are not financially related since they were already emailed for review and were placed on a QR Code. His motion was seconded by SK Pettus #2 and said motion was passed.
 - **Grand Recorder – SK Joseph Kimbrough**
 - Most reports were received on time
 - Please start by including membership numbers on your reports

- Please read the proclamation and adhere to its directives
 - Mt. Pilgrim #20 owes \$87.00
 - M. A. Jackson #46 owes 10.00
 - Total collected from commanderies: **\$6,226.00**
 - A motion was made by SK Ball #8 to accept the recorder's report. It was seconded by SK Bell #2, SK Benefield #16, and SK Walters #49
 - Said motion was passed
- **Grand Treasurer – SK William Garrett**
 - Beginning Balance - \$11,457.05
 - Total Deposits - \$27,742.94
 - Total Income - \$39,199.99
 - Total Expenses - \$28,448.02
 - Bank Balance - \$10,751.97
 - Actual balance - **\$10,651.97**
 - Recommendation to void all outstanding checks
 - SK Ball #8 made a motion to accept this report along with the recommendations. SK Sims #29 seconded the motion.
 - Said motion was passed
- **Grand Secretary-Treasurer (Charity) – SK Desmond Thomas**
 - 13 of 18 commanderies have reported
 - When elections occur, please share all pertinent information with the incoming officers
 - Total Expenses - \$9,535.94
 - Total Income - \$10,550.00
 - Bank Balance – **\$1,014.06**
 - SK Sims #29 made a motion to accept this report along with its recommendation. It was seconded by SK Flowers #50, SK Lewis #49, SK Robinson #20 and SK Benefield #16
 - Said motion was passed
- **Trustee's' Audit Committee Report**
 - Reviewed all financial records of the Grand Commandery
 - No issues or discrepancies were found
 - Stated that the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer should be commended for a job well done
 - SK Benefield #16 made a motion to accept the report
 - The said motion was seconded by SK Ball #8, and SK Ray #49
 - Said motion was passed with a round of applause
- **Reception of Visiting Dignitaries and their Delegation**
 - Delegation from Mississippi was received into the Asylum

- SK Kevin Thompson, KYGCH – Right Eminent Grand Commander of Mississippi (Honors Were Given)
- **Reception of Grand Master Dr. Corey D. Hawkins Sr.**
 - Most Worshipful Grand Master, Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge F. & A. Masons of Alabama
 - Sovereign Grand Commander, United Supreme Council 33⁰ Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Prince Hall Affiliation, Southern Jurisdiction, USA Inc.
 - Most Eminent Honorary Past Grand Master
 - Honors were given to him
- **Annual Address of Right Eminent Grand Commander Charles Motley Jr.**
 - **State of the Nation**
 - REGC stated “We as Americans had the opportunity to elect the first African American Woman President but instead America elected a man with felony convictions and embarrassing antics.
 - **State of the Grand Encampment**
 - REGC congratulated SK Robert Glenn for his two successful years as the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. Next year’s Grand Encampment will be held in South Carolina.
 - **State of the Hendley-Mack Grand Commandery**
 - REGC thanked the Grand Officers for their continued support
 - The Grand Commandery has partnered with Stitches, LLC for a Grand Commandery shirt for the State of Alabama as a fundraiser.
 - SK Ron Boone has been appointed a Special District Deputy
 - SK Cliff Barren has been appointed the Grand Royal Advisor to the Carrie B. Barnes Cyrene Crusaders
 - The motion to accept the allocution as well as the recommendations was made by SK Ball #8. The motion was seconded by SK Sims #29, SK Hudson #2, and SK Robinson #20
 - Said motion was passed
- **Lecture by SK George Ball**
 - Presented a captivating lecture on the Charge of Knights Templar and the historical protection of Christians
- **Lecture by SK Delvecchio Alston**
 - Presented an informative lecture on the approved Uniform Attire for the Grand Commandery (Class A, B, and C Uniforms)
 - Dispensations are needed when uniforms are to be worn outside of our regular meetings
- **Committee Reports**

- **Final Credentials**
 - Number pre-registered – 96
 - Number of Eminent Commanders – 9
 - Number of Past Eminent Commanders - 11
 - Number of Commanderies – 15
 - Number of on-site registrations – 26
 - Total Collected - \$520
 - SK Lewis made the motion to accept the report. SK Walton #49 and SK Robinson #20 both seconded the motion
 - Said motion was passed
- **Membership**
 - This report was received by the body
 - SK Garret stated that members must now sign for membership cards
 - SK Barren #1 made the motion to accept the report, and it was second by SK Ball #8, SK Capers #43, SK Hall #2 and SK Lewis #49
 - Said motion was passed
- **Resolution**
 - Negative Report
- **Appeals & Grievances**
 - Negative Report
- **Constitution & Bylaws**
 - Negative Report
- **Jurisprudence**
 - Negative Report
- **Falonte Perry Student Aid**
 - Joshua Cox was recommended to receive scholarships this year. He will be attending Alabama A & M University this upcoming fall
 - SK Alston #4 motioned to accept this report. SK Beal #4 and SK Benefield #16, SK Stewart #20 and SK Palmer #50 seconded the motion
 - Said motion was passed
- **Charter & Dispensation**
 - Israel #30 needs a replacement charter
 - SK Barren #1 made the motion to accept the report. SK Stewart #20 seconded the motion
 - Said motion was passed

- **Right Eminent Grand Commanders Address**
 - SK Armstead #44 presented highlights of his address to the asylum
 - SK Lewis #49 made the motion to accept this report. SK Alston #4 seconded the motion
 - Said motion was passed
- **Past Eminent Commander Degree**
 - Eight applications for this degree were received
 - All newly elected Eminent Commanders received this degree
 - SK Barren #1 made the motion to accept this report. SK Bell Jr. #2 and SK Robinson #20 seconded the motion
 - Said motion was passed
- **Committee on Escorts**
 - Twelve Sir Knights participated today. We will need at least twelve Sir Knights to perform as an escort for the Grand Session on July 22, 2025
 - SK Flowers made the motion to accept this report. SK Stallworth #44 seconded the motion
 - Said motion was passed
- **Necrology Report**
 - The following Sir Knights transitioned from our earthly realm to the eternal realm this year.
 - Sir Knight Kenneth Vines #2
 - Sir Knight Dudley Williams #2
 - Sir Knight Charles E. Jackson #43
 - Sir Knight Anthony Prewitt #20
- **Final Greetings**
 - Sir Knight Kevin Thompson, Right Eminent Grand Commander of Mississippi
 - Sir Knight Victor Pettus, Past Right Eminent Grand Master, Honorary Past Grand Master Grand Encampment
- **“10 TO WIN” Appeal**
 - PMEGM Glenn #43 and SK Armstead #44 made a fundraiser appeal to the membership
 - The following Commanderies received tickets
 - #1 – 50
 - #12 – 100
 - #16 – 100
 - #20 – 100

- #44 – 100
- #47 – 100
- #49 – 100
- #50 - 100
- **Annual Election**
 - The results of the election are as follows
 - Right Eminent Grand Commander Charles Motley Jr
 - Deputy Grand Commander Freddie Armstead Jr
 - Grand Generalissimo Michael Brown
 - Grand Captain General George Ball
 - Grand Recorder Joseph Kimbrough
 - Grand Treasurer William Garrett
 - Grand Secretary-Treasurer Desmond Thomas
 - Grand Prelate Cedric Hbrowski
 - Grand Senior Warden Llewellyn Spencer
 - Grand Junior Warden Alvin Howard
 - Grand Trustee Myron Stallworth
 - **Final Comments before adjournment**
 - Comments given by PMEGM Robert Glenn
 - Comments given by Most Worshipful Grand Master Corey D. Hawkins Sr
 - **Adjournment**
 - The 133rd Annual Conclave of the Hendley-Mack Grand Commandery, Knights Templar (PHA), Jurisdiction of Alabama was closed at 7:39 pm

Yours by the Sign of the Cross,

James Gray Jr.

Sir Knight James Gray Jr. 33⁰, KGC

Grand Recording Secretary