

43rd Annual Midwest Regional
Conference of
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"The Masonic Family Taking Another Step To Meet The Challenges of the Twenty First Century"

Most Worshipful Grand Masters, Past Grand Masters, Present and Past Grand Lodge Officers and Members, Grand Worthy Matrons and Patrons, Past Grand Worthy Matrons and Patrons, Present and Past Grand Chapter Officers and Members of the Midwest Regional Conference.

Greetings From Missouri:

The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Missouri and Harmony Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Jurisdiction of Missouri, Inc. extends to you a cordial invitation to attend the 43rd Midwest Regional Conference of Grand Masters and Masons, and the 28th Midwest Regional Conference of Grand Chapters and Eastern Stars, on **March 19 through March 22, 2015.**

The Planning Committees are diligently at work planning social events and hospitality venues to welcome and entertain you, during your visit to the 'Show-me' State. It is imperative you respond by the designated timelines we have established to ensure your registration is uneventful. We look forward to sharing this momentous occasion with you. If there is a need for special accommodations (i.e. medical, dietary restrictions, accessibility, etc.) please be sure to inform us, so we can ensure your needs are met during your visit.

The enclosed information is designed to facilitate your program planning, conference registration, hotel registration, transportation and general entertainment. **Please ensure that you return all forms to the designated committee or contact person.** Additional information may be obtained from the Chairpersons listed below.

Fraternally yours,

PGM Michael T. Johnson
Conference Chairperson

PGWM Lillian C. Gasway
Conference Chairperson

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2015 Policies

CONFERENCE REGISTRATON:

The conference registration fee is \$150.00 and it includes two (2) luncheon tickets and one (1) banquet ticket. Additional luncheon tickets are \$40.00 each and additional banquet tickets are \$55.00 each. Any additional tickets must be ordered at the time of registration. Conference registration forms are enclosed, the forms should be completed and mailed with checks or money orders payable to: Midwest Conference 2015 and forward to Sister Iola Riley, P. O. Box 681249, Riverside, MO 64168, The deadline is February 25, 2015. Late registrations will be honored up until March 5, 2015. The fee for late registrations will be \$200. There will be **NO ONSITE REGISTRATION.**

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellation of full registration at no charge will be accepted until February 25, 2015. Any cancellations after February 25, 2015 will be assessed a fee of \$120.00 per registered cancellation.

HOTEL REGISTRATION:

The Westin Crown Center Hotel will serve as the Conference Headquarters, located at 1 East Pershing Road, Kansas City, MO. 64108. The hotel rates are: Single/Double \$119.00 per night plus tax. To contact the hotel directly call (816) 841-1000, option 2, or call toll free at 1(800) 228-3000. When calling for registration ask for the block listed under Midwest Regional Conference. Parking is \$16.00 per night for registered hotel guest.

The deadline for hotel registration is February 25, 2015. Reservation request received after the deadline will be accepted on a space and rate availability basis. After the cutoff date, the prevailing rates will apply for any confirmed reservations thereafter.

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2015 MIDWEST CONFERENCE INFORMATION SHEET

MEETING ROOMS

All official sessions of the conference will be held at the Westin – Crown Center Hotel

PHOTOGRAPHY

The committee has contracted with a photographer to provide coverage of the entire conference. Time slots will be designated for the traditional group photos as in the past; the photographer will be available on site to make arrangements with members who wish to purchase individual pictures.

SOUVENIR JOURNAL

Preparation for the 2015 Annual Midwest Regional Conference Souvenir Journal is in progress. The Planning Committee invites your Jurisdiction to participate in the journal by purchasing advertising space or a Patron Ad. Please enclose payment for Souvenir Journal Ad via check or money order; made payable to **Midwest Conference 2015**, and mail to: **MWRC Souvenir Journal P.O. Box 140242 St Louis, MO 63114**. The deadline for the Souvenir Journal is February 20, 2015.

HOSPITALITY AND ENTERTAINMENT

Thursday March 19, 6:00 p.m. join us for an evening of Kansas City's famous Gates BBQ and fraternal fellowship. Transportation will be provided from the hotel to the hospitality venue. We'll be kicking it at "Missouri Game Night" Friday March 20, 9:00 p.m. at the Westin Hotel, you don't want to miss the night.

TRANSPORTATION

The Transportation Committee has made arrangements to transport you to and from the conference. The roundtrip fee from the airport is \$35.00 per person. One way from the Greyhound station \$10.00 per person, and Amtrak \$5.00 per person. Please complete the enclosed Transportation Form to utilize these services.

POLO SHIRTS

This year we are offering a Commemorative Shirt to highlight our 2015 Midwest Regional Conference. The shirt costs are \$15.00 for sizes Small – XL or \$17.00 for sizes 2XL – 5XL. Advanced purchase only.

THE CONFERENCE COORDINATORS

If you have any questions regarding these matters, please feel free to contact the conference coordinators.

PGM Beverly Richardson 816-763-4328(H), 816-868-5306(C), or richbf@msn.com

Brother Daryl Barksdale 816-233-1045(H), 816-261-2357(C), 816-279-6301(F), or dbark@ponyexpress.net

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2015 Conference Registration Form (Please Print)

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS FEBURARY 25, 2015

*****NO ONSITE REGISTRATION*** SHIRTS ADVANCED PURCHASE ONLY*****

Full Name: _____

Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Phone/Fax Number(s), Include area code: _____

Titles(s): _____ Jurisdiction: _____

Registration	Cost	Quantity	Amount
Includes Kit, 1 Banquet and 2 Luncheon Tickets	\$ 150.00	_____	\$ _____
Late Registration Includes Kit, 1 Banquet 2 Luncheon Tickets	\$ 200.00	_____	\$ _____
Additional Banquet Tickets	\$ 55.00	_____	\$ _____
Additional Luncheon Tickets Friday, March 20th,	\$ 40.00	_____	\$ _____
Additional Luncheon Tickets Saturday, March 21 ST	\$ 40.00	_____	\$ _____

Shirts: \$15.00 for SM to XL; \$17.00 For 2XL to 5XL

SM M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL 5XL _____ \$ _____

CHECK HERE IF YOU ARE VEGETARIAN Please photocopy if additional registration forms are needed.

ALL RETURNED CHECKS WILL BE CHARGED \$40

Submit Registration Forms along with your check or money order payable to: Midwest Conference 2015
& Forward to: Sister Iola Riley, Registration Chairperson, P.O. Box 681249 Riverside, MO 64168.

For additional information or questions, please call: 816-587-6634

For OFFICE use only:

Received by: _____ Date: _____

Check#: _____ Money Order # _____ Receipt: _____

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Souvenir Journal Contract

Deadline: February 6, 2015

NO ADS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE.

I authorize the 2015 Souvenir Journal committee to publish the designated ad in conjunction with the 2015 Midwest Regional Conference. I understand that my Ad will be published per specification listed below, and have enclosed my payment. I further understand that failure to provide payment of Ad prior to the specified due date, that my Ad will not be published in the 2015 Souvenir Journal.

Please Make All Checks Payable To: Midwest Conference 2015

Souvenir Journal Chairperson:

Dr. Charles J. Adams - Grand Associate Patron (314) 280-2722 cj@princehall1.com
Sister Wanda Dancy (816) 237-6943 wdancypm0608@yahoo.com

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Phone Number: () _____
Amount Enclosed: _____

Full page ad price includes a picture. All Pictures must be of print quality placed on ads at least 1/2 page or larger, each additional picture per page will be an additional \$15.00. Make all checks and or money orders payable to:

MWRC Souvenir Journal, P.O. Box 140242 St Louis, MO 63114

Outside Back Cover	\$200.00
Inside Front Cover	\$150.00
Inside Back Cover	\$150.00
Full Page/w Picture	\$100.00
Half Page with Picture	\$ 75.00
Half Page w/o Picture	\$ 60.00
Quarter Page (no Picture)	\$ 35.00
Business Card (no Picture)	\$ 25.00
Patron Ad - Name & Title	\$ 10.00

For OFFICE Use Only:

Contract received from: _____

For _____ Page(s) to be published in the 2015 Annual Midwest Souvenir Journal.

Received by: _____ Amount: _____ Date: _____

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**REQUEST FOR TRANSPORTATION FORM
"PLEASE PRINT"**

NAME _____

COMPLETE ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____ CELL _____ EMAIL _____

DATE OF ARRIVAL _____

AIRLINE/FLT# _____ TIME OF ARRIVAL _____

AMTRAK NUMBER _____ TIME OF ARRIVAL _____

BUS LINE/NUMBER _____ TIME OF ARRIVAL _____

DATE DEPARTURE _____

AIRLINE/FLT# _____ TIME OF DEPARTURE _____

AMTRAK NUMBER _____ TIME OF DEPARTURE _____

BUS LINE/NUMBER _____ TIME OF DEPARTURE _____

ROUNDTrip FARES

FROM AIRPORT: \$35.00



FROM BUS \$20.00



FROM TRAIN: \$10.00



Please fill out and mail to: Committee Chairman Bro. PM William Elliott
3340 Birchwood Dr. Kansas City, MO 64137

Email: williamlelliott@yahoo.com

for additional information 816-761-2193 H 816-805-2137 C

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- From Kansas City International Airport
 - Take Interstate 29 South to Highway 169 South.
 - Continue on Highway 169 South across the Broadway Bridge over the Missouri River.
 - Hwy 169 becomes Broadway (do not turn right).
 - Follow Broadway 18 blocks to Pershing Road.
 - Turn left on Pershing Road.
 - The hotel is less than 1 mile ahead on the right.

Approximately 25 minutes

- From South
 - Take Interstate 35 North.
 - Take the Broadway exit, then turn right.
 - Go 12 blocks to Pershing Road, then turn left.
 - Proceed 3 blocks.
 - The hotel is on the right, just past Main Street.
- From West
 - Take Interstate 70 to Interstate 670 East (left exit).
 - Proceed 1 mile.
 - Take Interstate 35 South to the 20th Street exit (the first exit).
 - Take a left on 20th Street.
 - Take a right on Main Street.
 - Take a right on Pershing Road. The hotel is on the left.
- From East
 - Take Interstate 70 West into the city.
 - Exit onto Interstate 670 West (left exit) and proceed 1 mile.
 - Take the Broadway exit and turn left.
 - Go 12 blocks to Pershing Road and turn left.
 - The hotel is ahead 3 blocks on the right.

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ALL OF YOUR FAVORITES



Food

"Eyes Wide Shut" Missouri Game Night

Karaoke

WHEN: FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2015

WHERE: THE WESTIN CROWN CENTER HOTEL
1 EAST PERSHING RD.
KANSAS CITY, MO. 64108

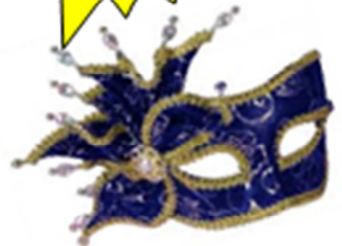
TIME: 7:00 P.M. – 11:00P.M.

**"I HAVE A SECRET?"
THROW-BACK - PANEL GAME**

Biz Wiz

Trivia

Dominos



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