



GRAND COUNCIL
of
ROYAL AND SELECT MASTER MASONS
OF PENNSYLVANIA

August 15, 2023

Illustrious Companions:

I am proud to announce to you that the “Region A” Assembly is scheduled to take place, Saturday, October 28, 2023 at the Washington Masonic Center, 44 W. Wheeling St., Washington, PA 15301. I hope that you will consider continuing your cryptic journey and renew your proficiency in our degrees at this assembly.

In addition to the Royal and Select Master Mason Degrees, the Super Excellent Master Masons Degree will also be portrayed. Thus, with the assistance of Puissant Companions, PC James H. Houston, PDDGM No. 2, PC Cody J. Spangler, PDDGM No. 3, and MPPGM William H. Weichsel, we will present all three Cryptic Degrees. PC James R. Flanigan of Washington Council No. 1 will serve as the Host Recorder for the day. All candidates must be registered through him prior to the event.

Lunch will be served and reservations are required. Please complete the registration form and follow the instructions below.

Recorders, if you have not attended a Grand Recorders Seminar yet or simply want a “refresher”, please plan to attend this important meeting. If you are a new Recorder, this session is a “must” attend.

Please attend this joint Regional Assembly in the spirit of Cryptic unity.

Fraternally,

PC James C. Erlinger

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Puissant District Deputy Grand Master No. 1

Cc:
PC James H. Houston
Puissant District Deputy Grand Master No. 2

PC Cody J. Spangler
Puissant District Deputy Grand Master No. 3

Dear Illustrious Companion Recorder:

The Annual "Region A" Regional Assembly comprised of Districts No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2023, at the Washington Masonic Center, 44 W. Wheeling Street, Washington, PA 15301. Washington Council No. 1 will be the Host Council. All three Cryptic Degrees will be conferred: the Royal Master Mason's Degree to be conferred by members of District No. 1 and 2, the Select Master Mason's Degree to be conferred by members of District No. 1 and 2, and the Super Excellent Master Mason's Degree to be conferred by members of District 1, 2, and 3.

All Recorders are responsible for certifying, in writing, the names of their Council's candidates. This certification shall arrive no later than October 14, 2023 - is to be mailed to:

IC James R. Flanigan. PTIM, Recorder
134 Route 231,
Claysville, Pa. 15323
724-413-0695
flanman780@aol.com

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST BE PUBLISHED IN ITS ENTIRETY IN YOUR MONTHLY / BI-MONTHLY NOTICES:

ANNUAL "REGION A" REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

The Annual "Region A" Assembly, comprised of Districts No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3, will be held on Saturday October 28, 2023, at the Washington Masonic Center, 44 W. Wheeling St., Washington, PA 15301. Members are encouraged to support their candidates, District, Region and Grand Officers by participating in and/or by witnessing the conferrals and by joining the fellowship at the Luncheon. Remember, a Regional Assembly is ritualistic work for members and Cryptic fellowship for all members and their Ladies, not just the candidates and officers.

THE SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY IS AS FOLLOWS:

7:30 – 8:30 A.M.	Registration
8:30 –8:45 A.M.	Opening of Regional Assembly; Reception of M.P.G.M.
9:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.	Royal Master Mason's Degree
9:00 A.M. –Lunch	Grand Recorders Seminar; Lodge Meeting Room
10:15 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.	Select Master Mason's Degree
11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.	Luncheon with the Ladies (Lodge dining hall)
12:45 P.M. – 2:45 P.M.	Super Excellent Master Mason's Degree

At conclusion of assembly; M.P.G.M. final remarks; closing of Council

The luncheon will cost \$15.00 and requires a reservation.

Menu: stuffed pork chop, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans almondine, tossed salad, rolls & butter, dessert. A variety of beverages will be available.

Reservation forms - *which should arrive no later than October 20, 2023* - are to be mailed to:

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Payment, by check made payable to "Washington Council No. 1", must accompany all reservations.

No reservations will be accepted after October 20, 2023, or at the Regional Assembly.

Contact your Recorder for specifics about the luncheon reservation forms, program for the ladies, and/or directions.

ANNUAL "REGION A" REGIONAL ASSEMBLY Luncheon Reservation Form

Mail your reservation form to:

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**MAIL THE COMPLETED RESERVATION FORM
TO ARRIVE NO LATER THAN October 20, 2023**

Checks are to be made *payable to "Washington Council No. 1"*. Reservations not accompanied by payment will be returned. No reservations accepted after this date, or at the Regional Assembly.

I would like to place a reservation for individual(s) for the luncheon to be held at the Annual "Region A" Regional Assembly on Saturday, October 28, 2023.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$____.00 for____ luncheon reservation(s) at \$15.00 per person.

Name: _____ Title: _____

District: _____ Council name: _____ No. _____

Lady's name: _____

Guest's name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: _____ email: _____

**THIS LETTER MUST BE READ AT ALL STATED ASSEMBLIES PRECEDING
THE REGIONAL ASSEMBLY ON October 28, 2023.**

Please make a copy of the enclosed information and send it to each of your Council members who have not yet received the Super Excellent Master Mason's Degree and to each of your candidates eligible to receive the three degrees: Royal Master Mason's Degree, Select Master Mason's Degree and the Super Excellent Master Mason's Degree.

Please encourage *all* Officers and members to support the "Region A" Assembly on Saturday, October 28, 2023.

Remember, if your Council has candidates attending the Regional Assembly, it is important that at least one of the Elected Officers of your Council be present. Also, please let your candidates know that there is a luncheon and reservations are required.

It is needed that you and your Council demonstrate support for your candidates. Do you remember when you received your Cryptic degrees, and how special it made you feel to know that your degree conferral was just as meaningful to your Council's members sitting in the audience and in the cast, as it was to you?

For those that require lodging, please see below recommendations;

Hotels in the area include:

Microtel Inn and Suites by Wyndham
501 Racetrack Road
Washington, PA 15301
Ph.: 724-705-7676

Courtyard by Marriott
1800 Tanger Boulevard
Washington, PA 15301
Ph.: 833-448-0935

Springhill Suites by Marriott
16 Trinity Point Drive
Washington, PA 15301
Ph.: 724-223-7800

Comfort Inn and Suites
2110 North Franklin Drive
Washington, PA 15301
Ph.: 724-884-0299