



Most Ancient Union Grand Court

Heroines of Jericho, Florida Jurisdiction, P.H.A.

Established in January 1882

Formerly Most Worshipful Union Grand Court, HOJ, PHA

Associated with the Most Excellent Union Grand Chapter, HRAM, PHA

Companion Dr. Elton Lewis, KYGCH, Most Excellent Grand High Priest

Working under the Protection of the Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge F&AM, PHA & its Jurisdictions

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***“Get Ready For The Next Chapter
Renewing Our Commitment To The Heroines Of Jericho!”***

**141st ANNUAL GRAND SESSION PROCLAMATION!
(To be read in its entirety and shared with all members)**

February 5, 2023

Greetings: Most Worshipful Grand Master, Honorable Jeffery G. Jones, of the Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge of Florida, P.H.A., Most Excellent Grand High Priest Companion Dr. Elton L. Lewis, Most Worthy Grand Joshua Hero Michael Bellamy, all Grand Officers (Elected and appointed), Past Most Ancient Grand Matrons, Past Most Worthy Grand Joshua's, Honorary Past Grand Chaplain Emeritus, Honorary Past Grand Most Ancient Matrons, District Deputies, Grand Youth Directress, Most Ancient Matrons, Senior and Junior Ancient Matrons, Worthy Joshua's, 1st Court Directors, Royal Grand Queen/Royal Grand King (Present and Past) and all subordinate members of Heroines of Jericho Grand Court.

This Proclamation includes hotel information, Executive Board meeting information, dates and times of Session events. As we move forward, we cannot look back. God has not only brought us through things that are seen but those that are unseen since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal, as we press on by Faith! We pray for healing and restoration of our body and minds as we continue to stay focus on the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus!

Heroines and Heroes by the power in me vested, I, Estella Wade-Edwards 18th Most Ancient Grand Matron, my Advisor 19th Most Worthy Grand Joshua Michael Bellamy declare our 141ST Grand Convocation will open on Monday, April 17th thru Tuesday April 18th, 2023 in the wonderful city of Jacksonville, Florida!!!

Notice: the MWGM has relaxed the jurisdiction Covid Protocol to allow sit down dinner events. However, the MWGML Jurisdictional Covid Protocols remain as it pertains to safe practices including temperature checks and Covid Questionnaire Sheets.

The activities outlined in this communication are subject to change due to the impacts of Covid-19 and/or any change to the CDC's Covid-19 regulations in the future. If these protocols are relaxed, notice will be given prior to your arrival.

LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS: Host Hotel, Hyatt Regency Riverfront located at 225 E Coastline Drive Jacksonville, FL 32202. The room rate is **\$114.00 per**

night and parking is free. Reservations can be made by calling the hotel's direct phone number 1 (904) 588-1234 or Toll Free (1-877) 803-7534. Reservations are made under the Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge. It is imperative that you do not over book the rooms. When cancelling a room please cancel within the allotted time given by the hotel. The Grand Court will not in any means negotiate reservations. The deadline for booking a room is **March 23, 2023**. Anyone contemplating a room reservation after the deadline must contact the hotel representative for availability.

The Passkey for Hotel Reservations: The passkey for the Grand Lodge 2023 Grand Session is below. Please copy and paste the hyperlink below into your URL browser:

The Pass Key for Hotel Reservations:

<https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/JAXRJ/G-MWG9>

We cannot guarantee a room or the special rate after **March 23, 2023**. You should neither wait until the last minute to book your room, nor should you overbook rooms and expect to cancel them at the last minute. If you hold up excess rooms until 72 hours before your arrival date, you will be required to pay one night's room rate for each of the excess rooms you are holding and do not need. The Grand Court will not cover this late cancellation fee, and it will be charged to your credit card.

As you know, it is imperative that you do not over book the rooms. When cancelling a room please cancel within the allotted time given by the hotel. The Grand Court will not negotiate reservations nor will we the Grand Court be responsible for your cancellations. CDC guidelines will be strictly enforced during your stay.

REGISTRATION: The fee assessed for registration is \$80.00 and is due no later than April 3rd, 2023. The four (4) Principle officers are mandated to register whether in attendance or not. Each Court is responsible for paying their Joshua's fee. After April 3rd Late Registration is \$125.00. **ON-SITE REGISTRATION IS \$125.00. NO EXCEPTION.**
REMINDER: ALL WORTHY JOSHUAS AND COURT DIRECTORS MUST REGISTER WITH THE HOLY ROYAL ARCH MASONS

ATTIRE: Below knee white dress or skirt set (Long sleeves or ³/₄ sleeves) white stockings, white gloves, white shoes, robes (MAM, SAM, JAM if you have the color of your station), red cord and crown. All Matrons Please Wear Long White Dresses. Most Ancient Matrons who have served for two years or more (Metal crown). If you do not possess a metal crown, cloth crown is appropriate. Holy Royal Arch Masons please wear attire for Heroes. *(Ladies, anyone wearing too tight or too short attire will not be permitted. Please dress accordingly).*

ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

Our Annual Memorial Services and Lodge of Sorrow will be held on Sunday, April 16, 2023, in the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront, 225 E. Coastline Dr., Jacksonville, FL. 32202, at 7:00 PM. The procession and seating will start at 6:30 PM for the brothers and Sisters. Attendance is mandatory for all Masonic Houses. Paying our respects to those who have transitioned from this life is the greatest honor we can give to those who once stood within our ranks. **Heroiners, please dress in your Court of Sorrow attire (All Black Suit Or Dress, Black Or Off Black Stockings, Black Hat, Black Gloves, Black Face Mask And Your Membership Badge On The Black Side.**

GRAND SESSION OPENING: Session Opening will begin on Monday, April 17th promptly at 2:00 p.m. Masks will be worn during the entire session. Temperature will be taken as you enter the Session, and you must have your COVID-19 Information Sheets.

“Code Red” Hospitality: The Most Excellent Union Grand Chapter HRAM and The Most Ancient Union Grand Court HOJ will have their “Code Red” Hospitality on Monday, April 17, 2023 at 5:00 pm at the Wilbur Fernander Scottish Rite Cathedral, 29 W. 6th Street, Jacksonville, FL 32206. This event will include a crab boil and barbeque, spades and dominoes tournament. As well as a line dance competition. Companions and Heroines are asked to dress casual with red from head to toe. There will be prizes and giveaways throughout the evening. This event promises to be one for the ages.

Tuesday, April 18, 2023 - Joint Luncheon & Memorial Service – 12 Noon With HRAM

Yours By The Bond Of The Scarlet Cord,
Estella Wade-Edwards
Estella Wade-Edwards
18th Most Ancient Grand Matron

Michael Bellamy
Hero Michael Bellamy
19th Most Worthy Grand Joshua



Attest: Sharon E. Lucas
Grand Court Secretary

CC: *Most Worshipful Grand Master the Honorable Jeffery G. Jones*
Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Companion Dr. Elton Lewis
All Grand Department Heads
All Elected and Appointed Grand Officers of the Most Ancient Union Grand Court
All Past Most Ancient Grand Matrons and Past Most Worthy Grand Joshua's
All District Deputy Ancient Grand Matrons and the Royal Grand Queen and King
All Most Ancient Matrons and Royal Queens
All Foreign Dignitaries.
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MOST ANCIENT UNION GRAND COURT HEROINES OF JERICHO, PHA

2023 Annual Grand Convocation Agenda TENTATIVE

<u>Sunday, April 16th</u> 6:30 p.m.	Annual Memorial Service
<u>Monday, April 17th</u> 12:00pm – 1:30p.m.	Registration (TBA)
<u>Monday – April 17th</u> 2:00 P.M.	GRAND SESSION OPENING
<u>Monday, April 17th</u> 5:00 p.m.	“Code Red” Hospitality With HRAM
<u>Tuesday, April 18th</u> 7:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Registration (TBA)
<u>Tuesday, April 18th</u> 9:00 a.m.	Re-Convene Of Grand Session
<u>Tuesday, April 18th</u> 12 Noon	Joint Luncheon & Memorial Service With HRAM
<u>Tuesday, April 18th</u> 2:00 p.m.	Re-Convene Of Grand Session

Opening of the 141ST Grand Convocation
DAGM Heroine Sonya Brinson, DGWJ Hero Anthony
Phillips

Monday, April 17th

- Reception of the Past MAGM & Past MWGJ - MAGM Heroine Estella Wade-Edwards
- Reception of the Visiting Dignitaries & Department Heads – MAGM Heroine Estella Wade-Edwards
- Welcome: Heroine Jennifer Long, District Deputy No. 5 , Response: Heroine Harriet Bush, JAGM
- Welcome First-time Attendees: Heroine Philomena Bodie, SAGM
- Roll Call of Grand Court Officers & Courts – GCS Heroine Sharon Lucas
- Reading of Minutes – 140th Grand Convocation Minutes–GCR Heroine Michandra Williams
- Acceptance: 140th Grand Convocation Minutes–MAGM Heroine Estella Wade-Edwards
- Grand Court General Account– GCS Heroine Sharon Lucas
- Grand Court Treasurer Report - GCT Heroine Rose Holloway
- CBA Report – Grand Court Administrator – Heroine Chyrstalia Blyden
- Audit Report – PMAGM Heroine Patricia Stafford

Committee Reports

- Report of the Credentials Committee
- Report of the Registration Committee – GCS Heroine Sharon Lucas
- Budget & Finance Report – DAGM Heroine Sonya Brinson
- Royal Council & Scholarship Committee Report – GRQ Heroine Mary Mason

Tuesday, April 18th

2023 Annual Grand Convocation Agenda

TENTATIVE
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- Ways and Means Committee Report – GSM Heroine Philomena Bodie/GJM Heroine Harriet Bush
- Jurisprudence Report – MWGJ Hero Michael Bellamy

Annual Address

- 19th Most Worthy Grand Joshua's Annual Address ~~ Hero Michael Bellamy, MWGJ
- 18th Most Ancient Grand Matron's Annual Address ~~ Heroine Estella Wade-Edwards, MAGM

**Most Worshipful Grand Master & Most Excellent Grand High Priest And Cabinet
Grand Visitation**

- **Court Election & Installation**
- **Committee Appointments**
- **Final Remarks and Closing of the 141st Grand Session**



**MOST ANCIENT UNION GRAND COURT
HEROINES OF JERICHO, PHA**



2023 Grand Convocation Registration Form



Court Name: _____ District: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Court Contact

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Address _____

<i>Print or type member's first and last name clearly and indicate amount paid.</i>	Officer Titles	Total \$'s per member	Attending? Please indicate "Y" or "N"
Member's Name:			
1.	Most Ancient Matron	\$80.00	
2.	Worthy Joshua	\$50.00	
3.	Senior Ancient Matron	\$80.00	
4.	Junior Ancient Matron	\$80.00	
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TOTAL ENCLOSED: →			

Total Members Attending: _____ (Badges will be for attendees ONLY)

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MOST ANCIENT UNION GRAND COURT

HEROINES OF JERICHO OF FLORIDA, P.H.A.

2023 Calendar

Event	Dates	Location
York Rite Workshop	January 6-9, 2023	Jacksonville, FL
Department Head Meeting	January 27-28, 2023	Cocoa, FL
Zone 1 Visitation	February 4, 2023	Qunicy, FL (Zoom)
Palm Sunday Services	April 2, 2023	Jurisdiction
Grand Session	April 13-20, 2023	Jacksonville, FL
Zone 3 Visitation	May 19-20, 2023	West Palm Beach
Zone 2 Visitation	June 23-24, 2023	Tampa, FL
GCGC – General Grand Conference	June 30 – July 5, 2023	Louisville, Kentucky
J.P. Strappy Community Service Day	July 15, 2023	Jurisdiction
HOJ Mid-Year Workshop	September 7-10, 2023	TBD
MWGM Zone 3 Visitation	October 2023	TBD
MWGM Zone 2 Visitation	November 2023	TBD
Giving Thanks Community Service Day	November 18, 2023	Jurisdiction
MWGM Zone 1 Visitation	December 2023	TBD
York Rite Workshop	January, 2024	TBD
Community Service Day of Love	February 11, 2024	Jurisdiction