



Grand York Rite of Arkansas

December 15, 2023

To: All Secretaries of Subordinate Bodies
All Elected and Appointed Grand Officers
All Past Grand Presiding Officers
All Committee Members

Via email

From: Dick E. Browning, Grand Secretary/Recorder

Subject: 2024 Annual Grand York Rite Session

Companions and Sir Knights,

Enclosed please find the registration information for our 2024 Annual Session. The new method of funding our Annual Sessions provides for each subordinate body in Arkansas to help fund the annual session. At a time when food cost and hotel services are growing at a rate in excess of 10% we were able to hold the cost of the meals to a \$2 increase.

Please remember the dais officers and secretary/recorder of each body do not pay the registration fee.

We need you to **promote and attend** our annual session and to enjoy the fellowship and the meals we've selected. This is the only way we can continue our annual session in a manner befitting the high importance of Capitular, Cryptic, and Templar Masonry. Put in on your calendar to join us, send in your registration form, come and experience the wonderful fellowship found in the York Rite of Freemasonry in Arkansas.

Fraternally,

Dick E. Browning
Grand Secretary/Recorder
Grand York Rite Bodies in Arkansas

Enclosed: Registration Packet



Grand York Rite Bodies of Arkansas

P.O. Box 3526, Little Rock, AR 72203
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Official Call of the 2024 Annual Session

Thursday - Friday - Saturday
March 7, 8 & 9, 2024

Delta Hotels by Marriott
(Formerly the Crowne Plaza Hotel)
201 South Shackleford Road
Little Rock, AR 72211
501-223-3000

HOTEL RESERVATION INFORMATION:

Make directly with the hotel (501)223-3000

Our special room rate is \$99.00 plus tax (mention Grand York Rite convention to get this rate).
This is the same rate as last year!!

Deadline for reservations is February 21, 2024 – Reserve early!

For additional information on the convention, registration or meals contact:

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Schedule of Events

Thursday, March 7

1:00 pm -4:00 pm	Registration and Committee meetings
2:00 pm	Knight Masons meeting (joint): Arkansas, Sharp & Mize Councils
3:00 pm	AMD meeting (joint): Carson Scott and Scully Councils
4:00 pm	Buffett dinner
5:30 pm	Joint Memorial Service
6:00 pm	Conferral Order of High Priesthood
Following conferral	Arkansas Past Commanders Association meeting

Friday, March 8

6:30 am	OPEN Breakfast – members, ladies, and guest
7:15 am	Sword & Trowel meeting following breakfast, members only
7:30 – 8:00 am	Registration continues
8:00 am	Joint Opening and reception of distinguished guest
9:00 am	Opening of the Grand Chapter of Arkansas
12:00 noon	OPEN Lunch – members, ladies, and guest
1:00 pm	York Rite College meeting following lunch, members only
1:30 pm	Additional time for Grand Chapter business
2:00 pm	Opening of the Grand Council of Arkansas
5:00 pm	Grand Council closes; room released to hotel for banquet prep
6:30 pm	Grand Banquet and Awards (Men: KT uniform, without sword or chapeau, or Tuxedo) (Ladies: street length dress/suit or formal wear)

Saturday, March 9

6:30 am	OPEN Breakfast – members, ladies, and guest
7:15 am	KYCH meeting following breakfast, members only
7:30 – 8:00 am	Registration continues
8:00 am	Opening of the Grand Commandery of Arkansas
10:45 am	Grand Commandery called to Refreshment
11:30 am	Joint installation of the 2020 Grand York Rite Officers

Special Notes:

Registration will NOT BE OPEN during any business session

Hospitality Suites will close 15 minutes prior to each meal

Hospitality Suites will reopen 30 minutes after the end of each meal

Registration Form - 2024

Grand York Rite Bodie

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Titles/Offices: _____

Are you an elected and installed dais officer (a top three officer) or a secretary? Yes No

Registration – All Arkansas members _____ @\$20.00each \$ _____



Note: Elected Dias Officers and Secretaries exempted for this fee



Thursday

Buffett 4:00 pm _____ @\$26 each \$ _____
(Pasta buffet)

Friday

Breakfast _____ @\$22 each \$ _____
(eggs, cereal, bacon, fruit etc. buffet)

Lunch _____ @\$27 each \$ _____
(Hamburger, hot dog, chicken strip + sides buffet)

Awards Banquet:

A. Chipotle BBQ _____ @\$42 each \$ _____
Grilled Salmon

B. Smothered Pork _____ @\$37 each \$ _____
Chops

Saturday

Breakfast _____ @\$22 each \$ _____
(eggs, cereal, bacon, fruit etc. buffet)

Total registration \$ _____



Registration deadline for all meals is February 23, 2024

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Make Check payable to Grand York Rite of Arkansas