



**United Grand Imperial Council
Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders
United States of America, Mexico and The Philippines**

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From the East of
The United Grand Imperial Council

To the members of the Imperial Senate of Sovereigns, Imperial College of Viceroys and all Knights Companions of our obedience:

FAITH

UNITY

ZEAL

The 150th Annual Assembly of the United Grand Imperial Council, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders for the United States of America, Mexico and the Philippines, will be held at:

**Embassy Suites by Hilton Greensboro
204 Centreport Drive
Greensboro, NC 27409
June 2 – June 4, 2022**

Each Conclave should be represented at, and all Intendants General should attend, the 150th Annual Assembly. Members of the Imperial Senate of Sovereigns and the Imperial College of Viceroys must be present to exercise the privilege of voting. Non-voting members are invited to attend all sessions.

Attached to this notice is a copy of the proposed amendments to the *Constitution and Statutes and Regulations* to be considered at 150th Annual Assembly and the registration material for the 150th Annual Assembly.

The following is the anticipated schedule of events:

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
150th ANNUAL ASSEMBLY**

Thursday, June 2, 2022

1:00 to 5:00 pm Registration – Pre-function Area – Lobby
1:00 to 5:00 pm Hospitality Room – Suite 630 – Beverages & Snacks
5:00 to 6:00 pm Committee on Long Range Planning – Salon E
6:00 to 7:00 pm Social Hour – Pre-function Area – Timberlake
7:00 to 8:00 pm Dinner – Timberlake
8:00 to 11:00 pm Hospitality Room – Suite 630 – Beverages & Snacks

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8:00 pm to MidnightHospitality Room – Suite 730 – Adult Beverages & Snacks
9:00 to 10:00 pmCommittee on Finance and Accounts – Salon E

Friday, June 3, 2022

8 am to NoonRegistration – Pre-function Area – Lobby
8:00 to 9:00 amRecorders and Intendants General Seminar
with Grand Sovereign, Grand Viceroy, and Grand Recorder – Timberlake
All Knights Companions are invited to attend this seminar.
9:30 am to NoonOld Salem Tour (Moravian Village)
12:30 to 1:30 pmBarbeque Lunch at Winston Salem Masonic Center
Busses will take all from the tour or hotel
to lunch and to the afternoon tour or
back to the hotel
2:00 to 4:00 pmReynolda House and Gardens Tour
6:00 to 7:00 pmSocial Hour – Pre-function Area – Timberlake
7:00 to 8:00 pmDinner – Timberlake
8:00 to 11:00 pmHospitality Room – Suite 630 – Beverages & Snacks
8:00 to MidnightHospitality Room – Suite 730 – Adult Beverages & Snacks
9:00 to 10:00 pmNominating Committee – Salon E

Saturday, June 4, 2022

9:00 am to NoonGeneral Session – Salon D
Noon to 1:30 pmLunch – Timberlake
1:30 to 2:00 pmMemorial Service – Salon D
2:30 to 3:30 pmInstallation of Officers – Salon D
4:00 to 6:00 pmHospitality Room – Suite 630 – Beverages & Snacks
6:00 to 7:00 pmSocial Hour – Pre-function Area – Timberlake
7:00 to 8:30 pmAnnual Grand Banquet – Timberlake
9:00 to 11:00 pmHospitality Room – Suite 630 – Beverages & Snacks
9:00 pm to MidnightHospitality Room – Suite 730 – Adult Beverages & Snacks

Specific rooms for each activity will be available at the Annual Assembly Registration desk.

Yours in Faith, Unity and Zeal,



R. Stephen Doan, KGC
Attachments

PROPOSED AMENDMENT
OF THE
CONSTITUTION AND STATUTES AND REGULATIONS
OF THE
UNITED GRAND IMPERIAL COUNCIL
OF
KNIGHTS OF THE RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE AND APPENDANT ORDERS
FOR THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, MEXICO AND THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the name “United Grand Imperial Council of Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders, for the United States of America, Mexico and the Philippines” was adopted in 1958 by the surviving organization upon the merger of the Empire of the West and the Empire of the East; and

WHEREAS, the United Grand Imperial Council now has and from time to time in the past has had conclaves in countries other than the United States of America, Mexico and the Philippines; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to shorten the name to “United Grand Imperial Council of Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders, for the United States of America and its Jurisdiction” to show no partiality among our conclaves outside the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Section 10.000 of the *Constitution* be amended as marked:

§10.000. NAME.

This organization is an unincorporated association which shall be known as the “United Grand Imperial Council of Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders, for the United States of America, and its Jurisdiction ~~Mexico and the Philippines.~~” For the transaction of ordinary business, the following short form may be used and will have the same force and effect as the full form title: “Grand Imperial Council of the Red Cross of Constantine.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Section 404.170 of the *Statutes and Regulations* be amended as marked:

§404.170. VOW OF OFFICE.

Each officer of the Grand Imperial Council, elected or appointed, upon entering upon the duties of his office, shall take the following vow:

“I _____ do solemnly promise and vow, that I will ever maintain and support the Constitution and Rituals of the United Grand Imperial Council, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders, for the United States of America, and its Jurisdiction ~~Mexico and the Philippines~~, and to enforce obedience of its Statutes, Edicts, Laws and Regulations.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Section 805.020 of the *Statutes and Regulations* be amended as marked:

§805.020. INSTALLATION OF THE OFFICERS.

- A. The officers of a Conclave shall be invested with their respective offices at the time of election or as soon thereafter as practicable.

B. Previous to the enthronement of a Sovereign-elect, he must solemnly promise on his honor as a Christian Knight to submit to all of the following ordinances and promise to observe and practice them faithfully:

1. That you will exert your best endeavors to promote the true happiness of your Brother Knights Companions?
2. That you will not confer the dignity of Knighthood upon anyone who is not of the Christian religion and upon only such as you have reason to believe will cheerfully conform to all our laws and precepts?
3. That you will endeavor to promote the general good of the Order upon all convenient occasions?
4. That to the utmost of your power, you will preserve the solemnity of our Ceremonies, and conduct yourself in open Assembly with the most profound respect and reverence as an example to the Knights Companions under your rule?
5. That you will not acknowledge, nor have intercourse with, nor visit, any Conclave which does not work under a constitutional charter from a recognized Grand Imperial Council of the Order?
6. That you will ever maintain and support the authority of the United Grand Imperial Council of Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders for the United States of America; and its Jurisdiction ~~Mexico and the Philippines~~, and enforce due obedience to its Edicts, Statutes, and Regulations, and strictly observe its ancient traditions and general principles?
7. That you will bind your successor in office to the observance of these rules to which you now assent?

C. Every officer of a Subordinate Conclave shall take the following obligation before he enters upon the exercise of their respective offices:

I _____ do solemnly promise and vow, that I will ever maintain and support the By-laws, Rules and Regulations of this Conclave, and the Constitution of the United Grand Imperial Council of Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders for the United States of America; and its Jurisdiction ~~Mexico and the Philippines~~, and enforce obedience to its Statutes, Edicts, and Regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that similar amendments be made to the Ceremony of Installation of Officers of a Subordinate Conclave adopted at the 123rd Annual Assembly on June 9, 1995.

Respectfully submitted,



R. Stephen Doan, KGC
Grand Recorder



150th Annual Assembly UNITED GRAND IMPERIAL COUNCIL RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE

Knights Companions and Ladies:

We cordially invite you to attend the 150th Annual Assembly of the United Grand Imperial Council Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine to be held June 2 – 4, 2022 in Greensboro, North Carolina at the Embassy Suites Hotel.

The hotel is ten minutes from the Piedmont Triad International Airport (GSO) when using the complimentary hotel shuttle. GSO is serviced by Allegiant, American, Delta, Spirit and United airlines. Nonstops to GSO are currently available from Atlanta, Charlotte, Chicago, Dallas, Detroit, Miami, Orlando, New York, Philadelphia, Tampa and Washington, D.C. The hotel is a ninety-minute drive from Charlotte Douglas International Airport in Charlotte, North Carolina (CLT).

Two leisure walking tours have been planned for your enjoyment. Old Salem is a historic district of Winston-Salem, North Carolina that was originally settled by the Moravian community in 1766. The district showcases the culture of the Moravian settlement in North Carolina during the 18th and 19th centuries, communal buildings, churches, houses, and shops. Highlights of the town include the Salem Tavern, where George Washington spent two nights (May 31 and June 1, 1791), while passing through North Carolina during his “Southern Tour”; the Single Brothers’ House; Boys’ School; Winkler Bakery; and a host of restored homes and shops, and several stores including T. Bagge Merchant and the Moravian Book and Gift Shop.

In addition to the historic shops, there are two museums on the grounds, the Old Salem Museums & Gardens and the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts. The collection of Old Salem Museums & Gardens is the most comprehensive assemblage of objects made and used in the Moravian town of Salem and surrounding Wachovia area of North Carolina. The collection of the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts at Old Salem is the most comprehensive collection of objects made and used in the early American South. The collection represents seven states and four centuries.

Following the tour, we will go to the Winston Salem Masonic Center for a leisurely lunch and refreshment. Those who choose not to go on the tour will be transported from the hotel to the Masonic Center for lunch. After lunch, all attendees will have the option of going on the second tour of the Reynolda House and Gardens or returning to the hotel for a restful afternoon.

The Reynolda House and Gardens was constructed for Richard Joshua Reynolds and his wife Katharine and is one of a few surviving examples of what was then a part of a national trend known as the American Country House movement through which affluent Americans created estates for healthy living outside of cities. Katharine’s ideas were influenced by and contributed to this phenomenon, which embraced large houses in park-like settings with dairies, model farms and extensive recreational facilities.

R. J. Reynolds was a key player in the industrialization of the New South. He established his own plug tobacco factory in Winston, North Carolina in 1875. Katharine proved equal to her husband in drive and initiative, playing the dominant role in the creation of a self-sufficient country estate.

Reynolda House Museum of American Art was originally the home of Katharine Smith and R.J. Reynolds, founder of the R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company. Promising a healthier lifestyle, the 64-room with more than 34,000-square-foot historic home was the centerpiece of a 1,067-acre estate and model farm.

Inside, you'll find not only more than 6,000 historic objects, but also a collection of world-renowned American art on view in the historic house and special exhibitions in the Babcock Gallery. Spanning 250 years, the collection is a chronology of American art and features artists such as Georgia O'Keeffe, Frederic Edwin Church, Alexander Calder, Romare Bearden, Lee Krasner, Stuart Davis, Martin Johnson Heade, Jacob Lawrence, John Singer Sargent, Andy Warhol, and Grant Wood.

Every effort is being made to ensure that you will have an enjoyable experience. Looking forward to seeing you in June.

UNITED GRAND IMPERIAL COUNCIL RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE 150TH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

June 2 - 4, 2022

Embassy Suites by Hilton Greensboro Airport
204 Centreport Drive, Greensboro, NC 27409
(336) 668-4535

HOTEL RESERVATION LINK

IS ON THE UGIC WEBSITE: <https://mwsite.org/sites/rcc/>

\$119.00 Single or Double - Free Shuttle Service To and From Airport

Room reservations must be made by May 18, 2022, to receive the discounted rate.

Registration Fee \$175.00 per person

Name: _____ Lady's Name if Attending: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____
 Name & Location of Conclave: _____
 Conclave Office: _____ National Office: _____
 National Office in Other Masonic Bodies: _____
 Have you made your reservation with the Hotel? Yes _____ No _____
 I (we) will arrive on: _____ I (we) will depart on: _____

**Greensboro (GSO) Piedmont Triad International Airport is serviced by
Allegiant, American, Delta, Frontier, Spirit and United Airlines**

**Registration Fee of \$175.00 Per Person includes Ice Cream Social Thursday Evening, Lunch Friday &
Saturday & Dinner Friday & Saturday & the Old Salem & Reynolda House & Gardens Tours.**

*** Note that the Friday Lunch will be at the Winston Salem Masonic Center. Transportation will be provided.**

Number # _____ X \$175.00 = \$ _____

Knight	Lady	
_____	_____	Will attend the Thursday Evening Dinner, June 2 (Casual)
_____	_____	Will attend the Old Salem Tour, Morning of June 3 (Casual)
_____	_____	Will attend the Reynolda House & Gardens Tour, Afternoon of June 3 (Casual)
_____	_____	Will attend the Friday Men's and Lady's Lunch, June 3 (Casual)
_____	_____	Will attend the Friday Evening Dinner, June 3 (Casual)
_____	_____	Will attend the Saturday Men's and Lady's Lunch, June 4 (Casual)
_____	_____	Will attend the Saturday Grand Banquet, June 4 (Formal)

Attire for Business Meeting - Coat, Tie and Jewel

Saturday Banquet - Formal, Sash and Jewel

Special Dietary Needs: _____

**INTENDANTS GENERAL MAY ATTEND WITHOUT PAYING THE REGISTRATION FEE BUT MUST COMPLETE
AND RETURN THIS FORM EVEN IF NO MONIES ARE DUE**

Make Checks Payable To: "150th Annual Assembly"

Mail to: David C. Ladd, 5304 Woodridge Drive, Monroe, NC 28110-8542

Questions: 704 - 292 - 1034 or dladd@laddweb.net

This form and your check must be received by May 18, 2022

NO REFUNDS AFTER MAY 18, 2022