

Subject: 2009 Northeast Regional York Rite Conference
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Companion Grand Secretaries and Companion Grand Recorders,

Greetings!

This is the first notice of the 2009 NE Reg. YR Conf. to be held in Linthicum, MD on the weekend following Labor Day, September 11 & 12, 2009.

Please see the [.pdf below for the Conference Brochure.](#)

www.yorkrite.org/conferences/09netrifold.pdf

Linthicum is a small community on the Southwest side of the Baltimore Beltway (I-695) just a few miles south of where I-95 and I-895 cross the Baltimore Beltway of its west side. Our hotel will be a cheap and cheerful Comfort Inn which has a sister hotel, as Sleep Inn, which can catch any overflow or late registrants. This hotel is probably the farthest that claims to be a Baltimore-Washington / Marshall Airport Hotel... and to prove its status as such, offers free transportation to and from the airport with just a call to Hotel at the number printed on the attached brochure. The Comfort Inn has agreed to also pick up our guests arriving at the BWI-Marshall Amtrak Station adjacent to the Airport. I like the word "Free."

The Comfort Inn has the usual comfortable rooms at a very agreeable rate of \$84.00 plus all the tax that Maryland dares to collect. Another FREE... the Comfort Inn has included the Breakfast buffet in the cost of Lodging.

There will be an extended Buffet Dinner on Friday evening so that travelers can eat as they arrive. There will be a set starting time, but the line will be left up a bit longer than usual for those who straggle in and need to unpack and unwind a bit. SK John Lewis did this last year in NY, and I thought it was a thoughtful touch which deserved to be imitated.

Saturday will be divided into six Chapter & Council Session under the direction of Comp. Frederick Waldron, RPDDGM, and the Grand Encampment Program under the direction of SK Vincent Cowie, Department Commander for the Northeast Department, and SK William Brunk, Department Commander of the Mid Atlantic Department. Our Department Commanders will have just been installed and this will be a great way to greet them.

The Kick-Off Speaker for the Chapter-Council Session which begin at 9:00 a.m. will be Bro, Comp., SK and Dr. S. Brent Morris, noted Masonic author, historian, philosopher and television personality. During the day in Chapter and Council we will explore what has been done with various programs in our sister jurisdictions to advance the cause of York Rite Masonry...a "lessons learned." In Maryland, we freely admit to stealing some great ideas from our sister jurisdictions that have had significant results when tweaked to the local issues. There will be presentations also from the Representatives from the General Grand Chapter and the General Grand Council to discussion their ongoing programs, current news, Charitable programs and upcoming events.

One topic which will come up in the Chapter Session for sure is the virtues and consequences of creating a Mid Atlantic District similar to the Mid Atlantic Department in the Grand Encampment.

This is also an item of interest in General Grand Council. I would encourage you to discuss this in your own jurisdiction. The miles are beginning to catch up to us with wildly fluctuating gas prices. Those at the extremes are not as inclined to meet except in the middle states. The Northeast is large in the number of Jurisdictions and the miles from top to bottom. This discussion is in no way intended to limit the existing fraternal relations that we now enjoy, but to lift the burden of travel for those who feel the obligation to support those in the area.

The Grand Encampment will provide its usual excellent program on their own schedule. There will be a morning coffee break for both Sessions to enjoy.

The Ladies Program is a day long bus excursion to Washington DC with two stops...the Washington National Cathedral and the Smithsonian National Zoo. A boxed lunch will be provided between stops, which are just a few miles apart. The National Cathedral will provide a guided tour of America's greatest Gothic Cathedral, built stone by stone in the ancient tradition. The National Zoo is a magnificent collection of animal habitats boasting the best exhibits in the U.S. A link to each location is provided in the brochure. This is a unique opportunity to see two great attractions missed by most tourists.

There will be a Saturday Night Dinner for a final opportunity to socialize with limited speaking...

The point of contact for Dinner Reservations is Comp. Randall L. Watson, 7114 Dogwood Road, Windsor Mill, MD 21244-1801.

All hotel Reservations are made directly with the Comfort Inn...(410) 789-910.

Please FORWARD this email to your current Grand Line Officers and Past Grand Presiding Officers. The great value of this meeting comes from the mingling of ideas and experiences. The great joy of this meeting comes from meeting old friends and making new ones.

The brochure is set up to print back to back, with the reservation form on one face, but we will accept whatever you send however it arrives as long as the information is all there, with the required fees.

If you would like printed hard copies, I will be happy to provide them. Just email back how many you would require and I will get them on their way.

If you have questions, please ask. If special accommodations are necessary, I will do my best to do so.

Thanks for your cooperation, and I hope to see you in September in the "Land of Pleasant Living", the Free State...Maryland !

Fraternally and Respectfully,

R.E. Comp. Vernon H. Huebschman, DDGGHP
Grand Secretary/ Recorder – Maryland

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Ladies Program
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Total for Registration \$ _____
_____ x \$15.00Comp/SK

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Registration Information

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Lady _____

Address _____

City,ST,zip _____

Email _____

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Jurisdiction:		
Chapter	Council	Commandery

Please indicate your State, and current status in your respective Grand Bodies or General Grand Body or Grand Encampment.

Ladies Program - September 12

Alternate Program for those not attending the York Rite Conference

Bus Trip to Washington DC

Departs Hotel 8:30 a.m.

to include a morning tour of the



National Cathedral

<http://www.nationalcathedral.org/>

subject to change per Cathedral Services

A boxed Lunch on board the coach

Afternoon stop:



Smithsonian
National Zoological Park

<http://nationalzoo.si.edu/>

Two great Washington sites in a single day. The web sites will offer a complete description of each location

Return to Hotel about 4:00 p.m.

Cost per person \$40.00

includes both tours and lunch
Limited to the first 55 registered!

For those not taking the tour, lunch is available at the Rose Restaurant, but is not included in registration. Other local eatery information will be available.



2009 Northeast York Rite Conference with the Mid-Atlantic Department

Site: Comfort Inn-BWI
Baltimore, Maryland

Dates **Friday September 11, 2009**
Informal Buffet Dinner
Saturday, September 12, 2009
Chapter Council Conference
Commandery Conference
Ladies Program

2009 Official Polo Shirt

Order Information
Red short sleeve, rib collar, button front with pocket and Conference Logo

Men's (Sm,Med, Large, XL) \$30.00ea
(XXL and XXXL) \$35.00ea
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Name on right side + \$5.00 ea
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Order before August 1, 2009

Checks and Mail to:
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PO Box 321, Ashland, MA 01721-0321

SK Bob Winterhalter is again offering our shirts, with proceeds going to the KT Eye Foundation. Please support his efforts and join the fun.

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No shirts will be available for sale at the Conference - must be pre-ordered!