

53rd Annual Midwest Regional Conference of
Grand Masters and Masons



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F & AM Jurisdiction of Ohio

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To: The Most Worshipful Grand Masters, Grand Worthy Matrons/Worthy Grand Matrons, Grand Worthy Patrons/Worthy Grand Patrons, Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Past Grand Matrons & Past Grand Patrons, Midwest Regional Conference Executive Staff, Delegates and Attendees of the Midwest Regional Conference of Grand Masters and Masons, Grand Chapters and Eastern Stars.

Fraternal Greetings from the Great State of OHIO!

The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio along with Amaranth Grand Chapter, Inc., Order of the Eastern Star – P.H.A., State of Ohio, extends to you a cordial invitation to attend the 53rd Midwest Regional Conference of Grand Masters and Masons and the 38th Midwest Regional Conference of Grand Chapters and Eastern Stars to convene on **Thursday, March 13, 2025 to Sunday, March 16, 2025**, at the Hyatt Regency Cincinnati, 151 W. 5th St, Cincinnati, OH 45202 with the overflow for lodging at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza, 35 W. 5th St, Cincinnati, OH 45202.

The Planning Committees are diligently at work creating social events and hospitality venues to welcome and entertain you during your visit to the "Queen City." It is imperative that you respond by the designated timelines we have established to ensure your visit is both pleasant and eventful. If there is any need for special accommodations (i.e., medical, dietary restrictions, accessibility, etc.) please be sure to inform us, so we can ensure your needs are met during your visit.

The enclosed packet contains the following forms: conference registration, hotel information, transportation, souvenir journal ad request, and vendor request. **Please ensure that you return all forms to the designated committee or contact person with proper payment at the proper time.** Additional information may be obtained from the Chairpersons listed below.

Fraternally Yours,

RWSGW Jason V. House, Chairperson

Cell: (513) 679-1987

Email: houseman06@yahoo.com

PGWM Jacqueline E. Harris, Co- Chairperson

Cell: (937) 307-0107

Email: jharris1768@woh.rr.com

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2025 POLICIES

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

The conference registration fee is \$200.00 which includes two (2) luncheon tickets, one (1) banquet ticket, and one (1) Harlem Nights ticket. Additional luncheon tickets are \$65.00 each and additional banquet tickets are \$80.00 each. Any additional tickets must be ordered at the time of registration.

There are two ways to register:

1. Electronically Online by clicking on the registration link. You will be able to pay for registration, souvenir journal ads, and other items related to the conference.

[MWRCOH2025](#)

Service fees will apply to all Eventbrite Registrations

2. Use the enclosed registration form.

The form should be completed and mailed with Jurisdictional checks, cashier checks, or money orders payable to MWPHGL of Ohio and mailed to MWPHGL of Ohio, Attn: Midwest Regional Conference, 50 Hamilton Park Suite 6, Columbus, Ohio 43203. No personal checks will be accepted.

The deadline for registration is February 21, 2025; there will be NO LATE REGISTRATION ACCEPTED and NO ONSITE REGISTRATION. All mailed registrations need to be postmarked by February 21, 2025.

CANCELLATION POLICY

No registrations will be returned after February 21, 2025.

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HOTEL REGISTRATION

The Hyatt Regency Cincinnati, 151 W 5th St, Cincinnati, OH 45202 will serve as the Conference Headquarters, with the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza, 35 W 5th St, Cincinnati, OH 45202 serving as the overflow hotel. The room rates are as follows: Single and double occupancy rooms \$169.00, Triple occupancy rooms \$194.00 and Quad occupancy rooms \$219.00. Suites are reserved for MWGMs, GWMs/WGMs and GWPs/WGPs (if available).

When making a reservation via phone use the **group name** listed below or use the **online link** to book your room electronically. Please reference group name when placing your reservation via phone to ensure the negotiated room rate is applied.

Host Hotel (Hyatt)

Online link: <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/CINCI/G-CMC5>

Group Name via phone: **Midwest Conference**

Overflow Hotel (Hilton)

Online Link: <https://group.hilton.com/dlpouv>

Group Name via phone: **MCO**

The hotel reservation deadline is February 11, 2025. Any reservations made after the deadline will be at the hotel's then-prevailing rate. One (1) night stay will be charged to your credit card for all reservations made. All Parking is available offsite in the public parking locations. The fees are listed below. Fees are subject to change.

- Offsite self-parking: \$18.00 to \$29.00 and \$39.00 valet parking
- Bus Parking:
 - Please contact the chairman, RWSGW Jason House at phone number Cell: (513) 679-1987 or via email @ houseman06@yahoo.com for bus parking and pricing. Please have your arrival date, departure date, size bus, and any other pertinent information regarding your stay at the conference so the appropriate pricing can be provided.

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2025 MIDWEST CONFERENCE INFORMATION SHEET

MEETING ROOMS

All official sessions of the conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Cincinnati, 151 W 5th St, Cincinnati, OH 45202.

PHOTOGRAPHY

The committee has contracted with photographers to provide coverage of the entire conference. Time slots will be designated for the traditional group photos as in the past; the photographer will be available onsite for members who wish to purchase individual pictures. The photos will be taken on Friday. No Cameras and cell phones will be allowed in the photo room.

SOUVENIR JOURNAL

As we prepare for the 2025 Annual Midwest Conference Souvenir Journal the Planning Committee has decided to produce an electronic journal which will include a thumb drive copy of the journal in your registration packet. **Please enclose payment for Souvenir Journal ad via Eventbrite, a Jurisdictional check, cashier check, or money order, made payable to MWPHGL of Ohio (No personal checks accepted) and mail payment and ad contract to:**

MWPHGL of Ohio
Attn: RW Eric Kidd Sr.– MWRC
Journal
607 North Hawkins Ave
Akron, Ohio 44313

(No ads will be placed in the Journal without payment)

E-mail all ad requests to the Souvenir Book Committee, ekidsr@aol.com

Contact: RW Eric Kidd Sr. (330) 701-6081

The deadline for the Souvenir Journal: **February 21, 2025**

Please adhere to the following guidelines for your souvenir journal ad.

- **All ads should be journal ready and pre-formatted (Published ready)**
- Camera ready ads only
- Please be sure all names and titles are spelled correctly
- All electronic ads MUST be of good quality
- Photos on Polaroid, Laser Printed, Xerox, and Ink Jet Photos **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL NOT BE RETURNED.**

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HOSPITALITY AND ENTERTAINMENT

On **Thursday, March 13, 2025**, please join us as we welcome you to the "Queen City" with a Meet & Greet Hospitality **OHIO** Style.

Location: Phillips Event Center
1364 Spring Lawn Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45223
Time: 6:00 p.m. until 12:00 (Midnight)

On **Friday, March 14, 2025**, come out and enjoy a fun filled evening at the "Queen City Harlem Nights" event. Witness an evening of fun and sophistication at its finest, "Cotton Club Style". Please call the Chairperson, Pamela Peoples, (716) 909-9982 should you wish to sign up and participate in the talent for the evening. **We are looking for Acts from each jurisdiction to participate and perform as live entertainment.** This is an event you do not want to miss. Tickets will be sold separately for those that are not registrants of the Midwest Conference. The donation cost is \$20.00 per person. Contact the ticket Chairperson Derrick Murray GWP at (216) 403-4328 or visit the Eventbrite link below.

Eventbrite link: [MWRCOH2025](#)

TRANSPORTATION

For those who will be flying in for the 2025 Midwest Regional Conference, please book your travel plans to fly into the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport.

For your convenience, the following transportation companies are available to assist you in your travel needs to and from the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG).

Uber (www.uber.com) or Lyft (www.lyft.com) transportation services.

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VENDOR INFORMATION

Dear Vendor:

The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio and Amaranth Grand Chapter, Inc., Order of the Eastern Star - P.H.A., State of Ohio will host the 53rd Annual Midwest Regional Conference of Grand Masters and Masons and 38th Annual Midwest Regional Conference of Grand Chapters and Eastern Stars. The Conference will convene March 13th to March 16th, at the Hyatt Regency Cincinnati, 151 W 5th St, Cincinnati, OH 45202.

We are accepting applications from vendors who are interested in participating in this endeavor; we have limited space designated within the hotel. The fee for table reservation is listed below:

1 table (6') & 1 Chair \$200.00
Each additional (6') table and chair is \$25.00
No WIFI is included.

All applications must be submitted no later than February 21, 2025; no refunds will be issued after February 26, 2025. Registered vendors will have access to set up display booth on March 13, 2025.

Please fill out the attached application and return it to the address indicated on the form with your payment. Payment must be a cashier check, money order, or Eventbrite (See Link) [MWRCOH2025](#)

If you have any questions, please contact the Vendor Chairs:

You will be responsible for providing covers for your items during the time that you are on break and when you close for the day.

Sincerely,

RW Reginald Murray, Chair
(513) 307-0252
Email: bamadogs357@gmail.com

Jermaine Wakefield, GAP Co-Chair
(513) 446-7358
Email: jermainewakefield@gmail.com

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2025 VENDOR REGISTRATION FORM

Business Name	
Contact Person	
Business Address	
City, State, Zip	
Cell Number	
Email	
Trade Goods	

Make all Cashier Checks and Money Orders payable to: **MWPHGL of Ohio**

Fee:

1 table (6') & 1 Chair \$200.00

Each additional (6') table and chair is \$25.00

You may register for a vendor table by going to the following link: [MWRCOH2025](#)

You may also mail this registration form and payments to:

This form may also be completed and mailed with cashier checks or money orders payable to MWPHGL of Ohio and mailed to MWPHGL of Ohio, Attn: Vendor Committee 50 Hamilton Park Suite 6, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

No personal checks will be accepted.

For accountability purposes: All conference vendors must check in with RW Reginald Murray (513) 307-0252 or Jermaine Wakefield (513) 446-7358 prior to setting up booths. Application must be submitted no later than February 21, 2025. No refunds will be issued after February 26, 2025.

As a condition of your vendor contract, you hereby consent and warrant to the MWPHGL of Ohio that you will not use allocated space for any unlawful purpose except those within the guidelines as stated by this MWPHGL of Ohio.

Furthermore, we will not assume responsibility nor liability for vendor's goods.

Check here to acknowledge that you have read and understand the contract disclaimer.

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Registration Deadline: February 21, 2025

You may also register online at: MWRCOH2025

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Title(s): _____

Jurisdiction: _____

Additional Ticket	Cost	Quantity	Amount
Registration (Includes Kit + 2 Lunch Tickets + 1 Banquet + 1 Harlem Night Ticket)	\$200.00		\$
Additional Luncheon Ticket(s) Fri., March 13, 2025	\$65.00		\$
Additional Luncheon Ticket(s) Sat., March 14, 2025	\$65.00		\$
Additional Banquet Ticket(s) Sat., March 14, 2025	\$80.00		\$
Additional Harlem Night Tickets(s) Friday March 14, 2025	\$20.00		\$
Total			\$

Please select your meal choice:

Chicken

Salmon

Vegetarian

The listed meal choice applies to the banquet on Saturday March 15, 2025. All other meals will have options for everyone.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY (Registration Form)		
Received by:	Date:	
Check #/MO#:	Amount:	Receipt #:

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Electronic Souvenir Journal Contract

Deadline: February 21, 2025 (No Ads will be accepted after this date)

I authorize the 2025 Souvenir Journal Committee to publish the designated ___ad for the 2025 Midwest Regional Conference. I understand that my Ad will be published per specification listed below, and I have enclosed my payment. I understand that failure to provide payment of Ad by or prior to the specified due date will cause my Ad to not be published in the 2025 Souvenir Journal.

All ads should be journal ready and pre-formatted (Published ready)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

<u>Page Size</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Full Page	\$100.00
Half Page	\$75.00
Outside Back Cover	\$300.00
Inside Front & Back Cover	\$200.00

Email ads to: ekidders@aol.com

Full page ads price includes a picture.

All Pictures must be of print quality and placed on ads at least 1/2 page or larger

Contact RW Eric Kidd, Sr. (330) 701-6081 if you have questions about your ad.

Please enclose payment for Souvenir Journal Ad or pay via Eventbrite payment [MWRCOH2025](#) payable to MWRPHGL of Ohio and mail to:

RW Eric Kidd, Sr.
Attn: Eric Kidd Sr.– MWRC Journal
607 North Hawkins Ave
Akron, Ohio 44313

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Type of Ad:	Amount:
Check #/MO#:	Receipt #:

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HARLEM NIGHTS

Queen City

03.14.2025 | 7PM - 10PM

*Come witness an evening of fun and sophistication
at its finest, "Cotton Club" style.*

We are looking for Acts from each Jurisdiction to
participate and perform as live entertainment. Please
call Chairperson: Pamela Peoples, 716-909-9982
to sign-up.

TICKET DONATION:
\$20 (Non-registrants of Midwest)
Ticket Chairperson:
216.403.4328 Derrick Murray GWP
DRESS CODE: GATSBY

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