

NAOMI GRAND COURT

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June 1, 2024

To: The Honorable Noel C. Osborne, Sr., MWGM, Most Illustrious Grand Thrice Illustrious Master Julio A. Martinez, Grand Worthy Matron Chelly Jones, Grand Worthy Patron Carl Jones, All Present and Past Grand Officers of Naomi Grand Court, Royal Perfect Matrons, Royal Chief Advisors, Royal Deputy Matrons, 1st Royal Chief Advisors, Royal Principal Conductresses, Officers and Members of Constituent Courts owing allegiance thereto:

Greetings!

By virtue of the power vested in us, I, Georgene A. Butler, Royal Grand Perfect Matron and I, Gerald Matthews, Royal Grand Chief Advisor, do hereby proclaim the convening of the **Seventeenth Annual Grand Session of Naomi Grand Court, Ladies of the Circle of Perfection, Maryland and Jurisdiction, Prince Hall Affiliation,** on **Friday, November 8, 2024, 8:30 a.m..** The Annual Grand Session will be held as part of the *2024 Inaugural Maryland York Rite Family Weekend*, at the Willard W. Allen Masonic Temple, 1307 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, Maryland 21217.

REPRESENTATIVES AND PROXIES

It is the duty of the Royal Perfect Matron, Royal Chief Advisor, Royal Deputy Matron, Royal Principal Conductress, and Royal Associate Conductress to attend the Annual Grand Session either in person or by elected proxy.

REGISTRATION

The registration fees for the York Rite Family Weekend are listed on the Registration Form, which is attached. The top six officers of each court must register. There is an option to attend Naomi Grand Court, LOCOP (one house), and/or more than one house, if you are attending other sessions during the York Rite Family Weekend. Please follow the instructions on the registration form to register and for fee payment.

JURISPRUDENCE AND RECOMMENDATIONS: All recommendations are to be in the hands of PRGPM Joyce Dyson, Grand Chairperson of the Jurisprudence and Recommendation Committee, by October 1, 2024. *Mail to:* Naomi Grand Court Jurisprudence & Recommendations, c/o PRGPM Joyce Dyson, 47468 Southhampton Drive, Lexington Park, MD 20653.

REPORTS

All reports must be submitted electronically to naomigrandcourtlocop@gmail.com by October 7, 2024. It is imperative that reports are submitted timely so that they are prepared for distribution at the Annual Grand Session.

CREDENTIALS AND RETURNS

All Credentials and Returns are to be in the hands of the Grand Chairperson, PRPM Janelle Pittman, by October 1, 2024. *Mail to:* Naomi Grand Court Credentials and Returns, c/o PRPM Janelle Pittman, 4810 Fable Street, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.

STATE CHARITY

All State Charity is to be in the hands of the Grand Chairperson, PRPM Sherri Dotson, by October 1, 2024. State Charity forms should be emailed to Bathshebano2@gmail.com or mailed to: Naomi Grand Court State Charity, c/o PRPM Sherri Dotson, 6917 Mayfair Road, Laurel, MD 20707. All State Charity funds should be sent to PRGPM Linza Harvey, Grand Financial Secretary, 13025 Soundings Road, Lusby, MD 20657.

DRESS

Royal Matrons: Royal Grand Perfect Matron, Royal Grand Deputy Matron, Royal Grand Principal Conductress, Royal Grand Associate Conductress, and the Royal Grand Conductress of Ceremonies shall wear long white dresses, white stockings, purple shoes, purple gloves, purple jewelry and a long purple floor length cape with gold trim around the front. All other Grand Court Officers shall wear long white dresses, white stockings, white shoes, white gloves, purple jewelry, purple fezzes with white tassels stabilized to the right, (gold tassels PRPMs). All other Sisters in attendance, other than Grand Court Officers, shall wear regular white dresses (below the knee), white stockings, white shoes, white gloves, purple jewelry, and purple fezzes with gold tassels for PRPMs and white tassels of all others, stabilized on the right. **Brothers:** Royal and Select Masters traditional regalia.

HOTEL RESERVATION

A hotel block at the BWI Marriott has been secured for those traveling into the area or those who desire to fellowship with the York Rite Family. The name of the room block is the *York Wright Family*. The room block is available from Thursday, November 7 – Saturday, November 9. Reservations under the room block close on October 10, 2024. The room rates are: \$135 –\$145 plus applicable taxes. You may book your hotel room at the group rate using this link: https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-

<u>link.mi?id=1716324871477&key=GRP&app=resvlink</u> . If you prefer to make your reservation via phone, you can call Marriott Reservations Center at 1 (888) 236-2427.

SOUVENIR JOURNAL

There will be a souvenir journal commemorating the Inaugural York Rite Family Weekend. Each constituent court is requested to place an ad as this is an historic occasion. Information regarding the souvenir journal ads is attached to this Proclamation.

VENDORS

Vendor opportunities are available for the York Rite Family Weekend. The vendor request form is attached to this Proclamation.

Please adhere to all requests and deadlines. All checks for <u>Annual Returns</u>, <u>and Credentials</u>, should be made payable to <u>Naomi Grand Court</u>, <u>Ladies of the Circle of Perfection</u>. Please follow payment instructions on the forms for registration, souvenir journal ads, and for vendors.

The Seventeenth Annual Grand Session of Naomi Grand Court, Ladies of the Circle of Perfection is open to all members of the Circle of Perfection. Your participation is greatly appreciated, so please Royal Matrons and Sir Knights, please be in attendance to help make this Annual Grand Session a harmonious and productive one. The Seventeenth Annual Grand Session agenda will be sent in a separate document.

Given under our hands and the seal of Naomi Grand Court, Ladies of the Circle of Perfection, Maryland and Jurisdiction, Prince Hall Affiliation, on this 1st day of June 2024.

Yours in the Rite of Perfection,

Georgene Butler
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Royal Grand Perfect Matron

Gerald Matthews
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Royal Grand Chief Advisor

Attested:

Joy Etheridge Joy Etheridge Royal Grand Secretary

Theme:
MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK,
TOGETHER WE CAN ACHIEVE!