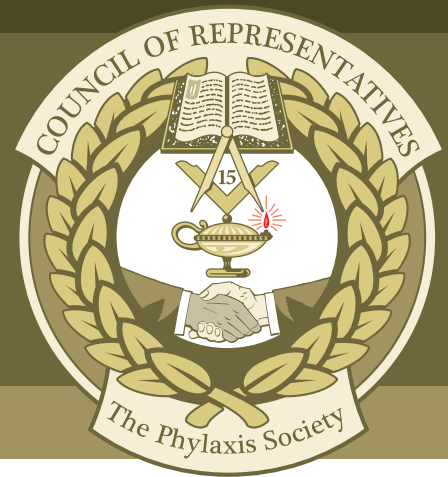


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## NOTICE: VENUE CHANGE FOR 39TH/29TH ANNUAL SESSION

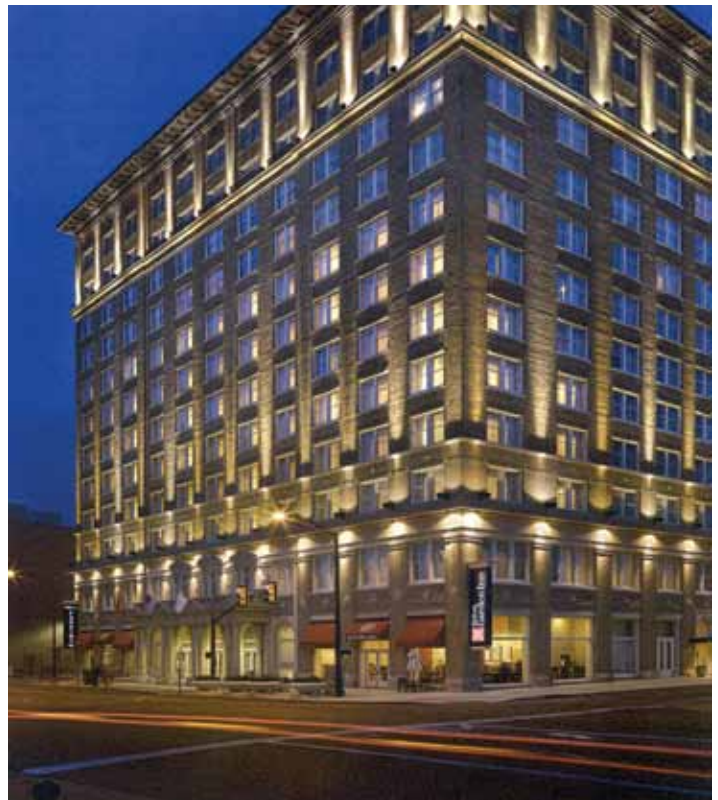
### During an event

attended by several Society members and other distinguished Masonic leaders at the Regency Hotel & Conference Center the first weekend of December, it became clear that the Regency Hotel had suffered a drastic change in policy and conditions since contracted, and is not capable of hosting our 39th/29th annual sessions. If those conditions were to be repeated at our sessions, it would be most uncomfortable for attendees. With this in mind, we decided to cancel that contract and seek other accommodations for our 39th/29th sessions. I regret any inconvenience this situation may cause any of you and ask that you do the following:

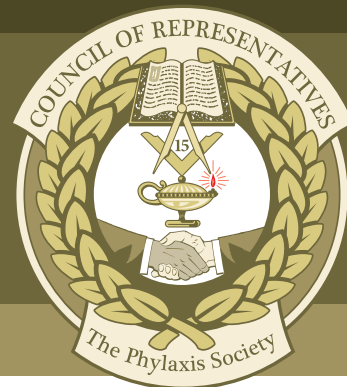
**1. If you made a reservation at the Regency...** Call and cancel it immediately.

**2. Immediately call our new Hotel, the Hilton Garden Inn - Jackson** at 601- 353-5464 or go to the Phylaxis Society or Phyllis websites, [www.thephylaxis.org](http://www.thephylaxis.org) to 2012 Convention and make your reservation online. There are a limited number of rooms available and we are expecting perhaps one of our largest turn-outs in attendees. See you in Jackson, Mississippi.

Sincerely & Fraternally,  
Hon. Robert N. Campbell  
Phylaxis Society, SVP Conventions



The Hilton Garden Inn and ballroom, our new venue for the Phylaxis Society 39th and Phyllis Chapter 29th Annual Sessions.



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## ANNOUNCING THE NEW SOUTH CAROLINA PHYLAXIS CHAPTER



DDGM Grayson W. Mayfield III, WB Wayne Sirmon, Hon. Bruce Benjamin, Jr., MPS, WB Joshua M. Bowers.

### It is my pleasure to

announce that the newly formed South Carolina Phylaxis Chapter has been officially named the Nathaniel Durant, Jr. Chapter, named after MWGM Nathaniel Durant, Jr. who announced its formation at their Grand Lodge held this December.

Our chapter officers include myself, Bruce M. Benjamin, Jr. as President, John Miller as 1st Vice President, Nathaniel Durant, Jr. as 2nd Vice President, Charles Adams as Treasurer, and Charlie Dunham as Secretary.

As per my obligations as the Council's South Carolina representative, I am pleased to announce the following accomplishments for this quarter:

### MEDIA/CONTACTS

1. Number of articles on PHA found: 8
2. Number of articles on Non-PHA found: 2
3. Number of Phylaxis Members contacted: 12
4. Number of Phylaxis Chapter meetings attended this reporting period: 1

### ACTIVITIES

1. Council of Representatives affairs were completed this quarter: organized South Carolina Chapter; laid corner stone.

2. Activities presently working on: Grand Session Dec 12-14 2011, new articles.; Organizing Council of Royal and Select Masters; Organizing new commandary to be named Barack Obama.

I also had the honor to attend 1st Annual Banquet & Symposium of the South Carolina Masonic Research Society, held on the 22nd of April, 2011. The venue was the historic Omar Shrine Temple in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina. The symposium speakers were



Hon. Bruce Benjamin, Jr., MPS, MWB Barry A. Rickman, WB Joshua M. Bowers.

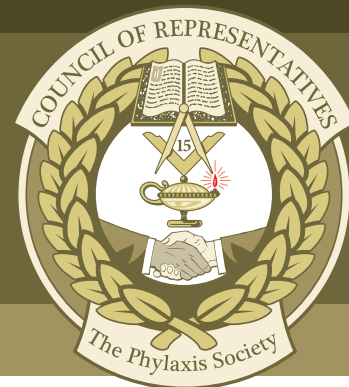
RW Bro. Michael Halleran, author of *The Better Angels of Our Nature; Freemasonry in the American Civil War* (current Grand JW of the Grand Lodge of Kansas), and Worshipful Bro. Wayne Sirmon, an educator and scholar who lectured in the character of Lt. George E. Dixon, commander of the Confederate submarine H.L. Hunley. Wayne is also a member of the Phylaxis Society. I was joined at my table by two past masters, one Vietnam veteran, one police officer and a school teacher. As evident by some of the looks some things will never change in South Carolina, but on this night I was a bridge builder.

After the symposium I was introduced to Most Worshipful Bro. Barry A. Rickman, GM of the South Carolina Grand Lodge of Antient Freemasons, who along with Chaplain Dr. Robert Elsner, presented me with the original copies of the prayers for the evening as a token of friendship and brotherly love. The times are certainly changing in South Carolina as one bridge has been built. It is my hope that many more will follow in the near future.

In closing, I thank you all for this opportunity to fill you in on our activities, and for expediting our charter.

Yours Fraternally,  
Hon. Bruce M.  
Benjamin, Jr., MPS  
President, Nathaniel  
Durant., Jr. Chapter  
The Phylaxis Society





## PLANNING FOR MARCH'S 39TH/29TH SESSIONS

**Greetings.** It is my hope that all is well with you and your Family. This is the Quarterly Report of the Maurice F. Lucas, Sr. Chapter, located in Jackson MS. We are continuing our efforts working towards March 6th through 10th 2012, which is our Annual Session. In my previous report I stated that Grand Master Maurice F. Lucas, along with some Grand Lodge officers and Phylaxis Society members, were in attendance for the inauguration of Dr. M. Christopher Brown II PhD as President of Alcorn State University, held on April 16th 2011. I am enclosing a picture of some attendees. 1st Picture. From left to right: RWDGM Tony Crisler; Hon. Byron Maxwell, MPS; Dr. M. Christopher Brown II, President of Alcorn State University; Most Worshipful Grand Master Maurice F. Lucas, Sr., MPS; RW District Lecturer Fredrick Wilson; and lastly, Ron Eddie V. Crews, FPSH President of Maurice F. Lucas Chapter.

I have included some other pictures. September 10th, 2011 we attended the 139th Founder's Day celebration in Vicksburg, MS. The ceremony began at the gravesite of our first Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons in Mississippi. This is a picture of the grave marker for Grand Master Thomas W. Stringer. Also included is a Picture of Hon. Richard Hudson Jr., MPS the 1st Vice President of our Chapter. Brother Hudson served as the program Coordinator and spoke on occasion why we observed this most important event.



**Standing from left, Hon. Willard Spires; Hon. Byron Maxwell; Hon. Edison Heard; Hon. Luther Steel, Jr.; Hon. Curtis T. Turnbo; Hon. George Ray. Seated from left, Hon. David McGee; Hon. Eddie V. Crews, Sr.; Pres. Council of Representatives, Hon. Robert N. Campbell, Hon. Richard Hudson.**

September 25th, 2011 the brothers in my lodge, St. Paul Lodge #343, MW Stringer Grand Lodge PHA celebrated the life and legacy of our founder, Prince Hall, under the leadership of our Worshipful Master, Hon. Ellison Heard, MPS who is also the audio visual direc-

tor for our chapter. The speaker for this great occasion was Hon. Charles V. Wells III, Chaplain for both the lodge and our chapter. On September 24th we were treated to a special visit from Hon. Robert Campbell, FPSH, President of the Council of Representatives/Con-

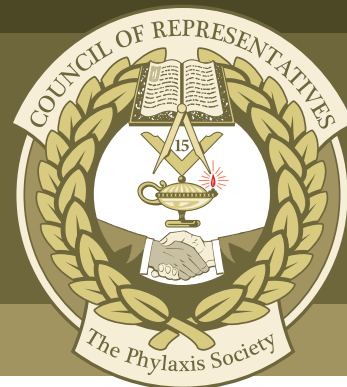
vention Coordinator. We had in attendance at our chapter meeting 10 brothers, and they were excited to say the least in meeting and talking with Brother Campbell. Of course, he passed out a wealth of knowledge to the chapter.

The Members of The Maurice F. Lucas Chapter of the Phylaxis Society have been busy not only preparing for the upcoming annual session, but we have been busy attending other Masonic programs and events; plus our regular Lodge meetings letting our presence as Members of the Phylaxis Society be known throughout the Jurisdiction and encouraging brothers to read and learn about the Phylaxis Society.

Fraternally submitted,  
Hon. Eddie V. Crews FPSH  
President  
Maurice F. Lucas Chapter



**Bethel AME Church, on the first site of Stringer Grand Lodge in Vicksburg, MS.**



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### PHYLAXIS SOCIETY AGENDA

MARCH 6-11, 2012

**HILTON GARDEN INN  
JACKSON/DOWNTOWN**

235 West Capitol Street, Jackson, MS 39201

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2012

##### 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

- Hospitality: Hosted by Honorable John B. Williams Phylaxis Society President

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2012

**Dress:** Phylaxis Society's Black or Gold Polo Shirt

##### 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM

- **Convention Registration**
- Honorable Harold Bendaw and Honorable Jessie Watkins

##### 9:00 AM – 9:10 AM

- Honorable Larry Moore
- Actual Fellows

##### 9:10 AM – 9:30 AM

- Honorable Larry Moore
- Honorary Fellows

##### 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

- Board of Directors' Annual Meeting – Honorable Warren L. Broomer
- Reports: Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Audit, and Budget

##### 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM

- Reflections

##### 12:00 AM – 1:30 PM

- No Host Lunch

#### Afternoon Sessions

##### 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM

- Executive/Legislative Session – Honorable Larry Moore Presiding
- Invocation – Honorable Edward Mitchell
- Welcome – MW Stringer Grand Lodge of Mississippi Representative
- Introductions – Honorable Larry Moore
- President's Address – Honorable John Williams
- Reports: Officers

##### 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM

- **Convention Registration**
- Honorable Harold Bendaw and Honorable Jessie Watkins

##### 6:30 PM

- **Jno G. Lewis and the Brice E. Simmons Medalist Reception**
- Master of Ceremonies – Honorable Robert Campbell (Male medalists: Formal dress; female medalists: long gowns; Male Non-medalists: Business Suits; Female Non-Medalists: After-five.)
- **All registered members are invited.**

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2012

##### 8:15 AM – 8:45 AM

- **Convention Registration**
- Honorable Harold Bendaw and Honorable Jessie Watkins

#### Joint Opening

##### 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

- Honorable Larry Moore – Phylaxis Society
- Honorable Alfreda D. Brumfield – Phyllis Chapter
- Invocation – Honorable Edward Mitchell
- Welcome – GWM Representative
- Welcome – MWGM Maurice F. Lucas, Sr.
- Phylaxis Society Memorial Service – Honorable Alex Smith
- Phyllis Chapter Memorial Service – Phyllis Officers
- Remarks – President Alfreda D. Brumfield, Phyllis Chapter
- Remarks – President John B. Williams, Phylaxis Society

#### Bus Tour

##### 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM

- Bus Tour/No Host Lunch

#### Lodge Visitation

##### 7:00 PM

- Phylaxis Society – Lodge Visitation (Masonic Dress with Apron)

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2012

##### 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

- **Convention Registration**
- Honorable Harold Bendaw and Honorable Jessie Watkins

#### Morning Sessions

##### 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

- Honorable Ulysses Cooper
- Opening and Introductions

##### 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM

- Honorable Richard L. Hudson  
Presentation: *History of Most Worshipful Stringer Grand Lodge of MS*

##### 9:45 AM – 10:30 AM

- Honorable Daryl L. Andrews  
"No Jones, No DePriest, No Harold, No Obama"

##### 10:30 AM – 11:15 AM

- Honorable William H. Gross  
*Anatomy of a Church*

##### 11:15 AM – 11:30 PM

- Reflections

#### Noon

- **Phyllis Luncheon**

##### 1:30 PM – 2:15 PM

- Honorable Joseph Nicholas  
*Commitment*

##### 2:15 PM – 3:00 PM

- Honorable James Tokley, Sr.  
*Rosewood Incident: Impact on Masonry in Florida*

##### 3:00 PM – 3:45 PM

- Honorable A. Tehuti Evans  
*The System of Morality Veiled in the Per EM Heru*

##### 3:45 PM – 4:00 PM

- **BREAK**

##### 4:00 PM – 4:15 PM

- Reflections

##### 4:15 PM – 5:00 PM

- Honorable Tommy Rigmaiden  
President Emeritus of the Phylaxis Society  
*In Defense of Prince Hall*

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### 5:00 PM – Until

- Honorable Charles Johnson, President, Chi Rho

### 5:15 PM – 6:00 PM

- Honorable Gregory Hatton  
*Prince Hall Free Masonry Pictorial Tour of New England*

### 6:00 PM – 6:15 PM

- Reflections

### 6:15 PM – 7:00 PM

- Harry A. Williamson  
Masonic Hall of Fame Induction

### 7:30 PM – Until

- Hospitality

## SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2012

### 7:00 AM – 8:15 AM

- Honorable Edward Darnell, MC
- President's Breakfast Elected Officers and Invited Guests

### 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

- **On-site Registration**
- Honorable Harold Bendaw and Honorable Jessie Watkins

### Morning Sessions

### 8:30 AM – 9:15 AM

- Honorable Willard Spires  
*The Qualities of a True Mason*

### 9:15 AM – 10:00 AM

- Honorable Alton Roundtree  
*Masonic Fraternal Relations*

### 10:00 AM – 10:45 AM

- Honorable Michael Delgado  
*The Origins of the PHA Scottish Rite Rituals*

### 10:45 AM – 11:30 PM

- Honorable Ras Tafari Cannady  
Honoring the Buffalo Soldiers in California

### Noon

#### • Phylaxis Society Luncheon

- Honorable Hubert Reece, Master of Ceremonies
- Honorable Ronald Wilson  
Invocation
- **Lunch**
- Honorable Larry Moore  
4Bs Awards Presenter
- 4Bs Awards  
Books – Dr. M. Christopher Brown II  
Business – Mr. Primus Wheeler, Jr.  
Ballots – Senator Hillman Terome Frazier  
Brotherhood – Dr. Fernando B. Mitchell
- Honorable Tyrone Jackson  
Presentation
- Honorable Ronald Wilson  
Benediction

### 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

- Honorable Garland Osborne  
*Why Do We Wear Black?*

### 3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

- Honorable James "Rocky" Dallas, York Rite Institute

### 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

- Grand Masters' Forum  
MWGM Maurice F. Lucas, Sr.

### 7:00 PM

#### • Annual Awards Banquet

- Honorable Ulysses Cooper  
Master of Ceremonies
- Honorable Edward Mitchell  
Invocation
- **Dinner**
- Introduction of Speaker  
MWGM Maurice F. Lucas, Sr.



A look inside the lobby at the Hilton Garden Inn, our new venue for the Phylaxis Society 39th and Phyllis Chapter 29th Annual Sessions.

- Speaker  
Dr. M. Christopher Brown II
- Honorable Howard Harvey  
Raffle Drawing
- Honorable Tyrone Jackson  
Chapter of the Year
- Honorable Edward B. Darnell,  
Presenter, Man of the Year Award
- Honorable Alfreda D. Brumfield  
Brice Simmons Award
- Honorable John B. Williams  
Jno. G. Lewis Medal of Excellence (Pending)
- **Closing Remarks**
- GWM Representative Grand Chapter, PHA
- Honorable Alfreda D. Brumfield,

### President of Phyllis Chapter

- Honorable John B. Williams,  
President of the Phylaxis Society
- MWGM Maurice F. Lucas, Sr.  
Most Worshipful Stringer Grand Lodge, PHA
- Honorable Edward Mitchell  
Benediction

## SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2012

### 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM

- Honorable Warren Broomer
- Board of Directors,  
Breakfast, Wrap-up Meeting



# CONVENTION REGISTRATION



## HISTORIC PHYLAXIS 39th /PHYLLIS 29th ANNUAL SESSIONS

Hilton Garden Inn Jackson Downtown  
235 W. Capitol Street  
Jackson, MS 39201

Contact: (601) 353-5464 or (601) 969-8544 Group Code PHY



**MAIN DATES MARCH 8 THRU 10, 2012**  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETS MARCH 7, 2012

MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL  
HOTEL CUTOFF DATE IS **FEBRUARY 20, 2012**  
LIMITED ACCOMMODATIONS - PLEASE RESERVE ROOMS EARLY  
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PHYLLIS MEMBERS: AUXILIARY NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION	___ \$	90.00 (Before January 15, 2012)
ADVANCE REGISTRATION	___ \$	100.00 (Before February 16, 2012)
LATE REGISTRATION	___ \$	115.00 (After February 15, 2012)
SATURDAY REGISTRATION	___ \$	70.00 (Registration, Luncheon & Banquet)
THURSDAY BUS TOUR	___ \$	10.00 (Only 55 seats; first-come, first-served)
Total	\$	_____

ADDITIONAL TICKETS: Luncheon \$30.00, Banquet \$40.00

Luncheon: (#Fri) \_\_\_\_\_ (#Sat) \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to:** The Phylaxis Society

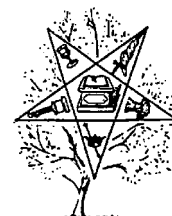
MAIL REGISTRATION FORM TO: The Phylaxis Society  
PO Box 5675  
Albuquerque, NM 87185-5675

Requests for registration **refunds** MUST be in writing and must be received at the address above no later than February 27, 2012.

# ADVANCE 2012 SOUVENIR JOURNAL AD FORM



**Historic Phylaxis Society / Phyllis Chapter**  
**39<sup>th</sup> / 29<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SESSION**  
 Hosted by Most Worshipful Stringer Grand Lodge  
 Jurisdiction of Mississippi, P.H.A.  
**Hon. John B. Williams, President, The Phylaxis Society**  
**Hon. Alfreda Brumfield, President, The Phyllis Chapter**  
**AD DEADLINE: February 15, 2012**



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## GRAND PLANS FOR THE 29TH PHYLLIS CHAPTER SESSION



From left, Hon. Eddie V Crews FPSH; Sister Rocheyl Ware OES; Sister Doris McDaniel OES; Sister Lynn Claiborne OES; Hon. Richard L Hudson Jr., MPS; Sister Sands Harris OES; Hon. Aaron Hopson, MPS; Sister Cynthia Davis OES. Seated, Martha Ann B.L. Alford, Grand Matron

**Grand Matron** Martha Alford, meeting with the Mississippi Committee, is making plans for the 29th Phyllis Chapter Session in Jackson, Mississippi this March 6 through 10, 2012. She has formed a new Phyllis Auxiliary with 56

members and all pledge to support this event. The Martha Ann Alford Auxiliary endeavors that all who attend these annual sessions will be very glad they came and desire to return soon. The Grand Chapter will receive the OES members at

a special OES Chapter meeting on Thursday night, March 8th, and co-host a great repass for all attendees at the Grand East in Jackson, Mississippi. The jurisdictions of Mississippi want you to come on down, fraternize & enjoy!