

PAST GRAND CHANCELLORS OF THE GRAND LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF THE DOMAIN OF NORTH CAROLINA*

In late 1870, William Augustine Jobson, who was Deputy Grand Chancellor for North Carolina, corresponded with John B. Vaughan, a member of Jefferson Lodge #23 of Richmond, Va. in regard to organizing a Lodge in Wilmington, NC. The result of this correspondence lead Supreme Chancellor Samuel Read to undertake the institution of Stonewall Lodge #1 in North Carolina.

THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA

*Instituted December 21, 1871 at Wilmington, NC by Supreme Chancellor, Samuel Read at Pythian Castle Hall on Third Street.

The following Lodges were represented:

Stonewall Lodge #1—William A. Jobson (Wilmington, NC) Clarendon Lodge #2---Alexander T. London (Wilmington, NC) Centre Lodge #3------Samuel Merrill (Raleigh, NC) Germania Lodge#4----William H. Gerken & G.A.A.Poppe (Wilmington, NC) Cumberland Lodge#5—O.H.Blocker,J.W. Phillips &L.C. Straughn (Fayetteville NC) The first meeting adjourned to meet in Fayetteville,NC on January 24, 1872 for

completion of its business with Supreme Chancellor Read attending.

Grand Lodge of North Carolina was organized at Wilmington December 21, 1871, by William Augustine Jobson, first Grand Chancellor, 1871-1873.

1st Grand Chancellor W.A. Jobson (Stonewall Lodge#1) - Wilmington 1872(2nd annual, Fayetteville, January 24,1872) Phoenix Masonic Lodge#8, Fayetteville NC.

2nd Grand Chancellor William A. Guthrie, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5-Charter Member) – 1873-1874 (3th annual, Wilmington, Jan. 28, 1873)

3rd Grand Chancellor Isaac Foote Dortch, Goldsboro (Ruffin Lodge#6-Charter Member) – 1874- 1875 (4th annual, Raleigh, Jan. 27, 1874)



4th Grand Chancellor William Simpson, Raleigh (Centre Lodge#3) – 1875-1876 (5th annual, Raleigh, Jan. 26, 1875)

5th Grand Chancellor Alexander L Blow, Greenville (Woodson Lodge#16) – 1876-1877 (6th annual, Wilmington, June 13, 1876)

6th Grand Chancellor Wesley C Troy, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) -1877-1878 (7th annual, Raleigh, Feb. 13, 1877)

7th Grand Chancellor Wesley C. Troy, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) – 1878-1879 (8th annual, Raleigh, Feb. 12, 1878)

8th Grand Chancellor John L Dudley, Wilmington (Clarendon Lodge#2) -1879-1880 (9th annual, Fayetteville, Feb. 11, 1879) Hosted by Cumberland Lodge #5-Fayetteville Hotel.

9th Grand Chancellor John L Dudley, Wilmington (Clarendon Lodge#2)-1880-1881 (10th annual, Fayetteville, Feb. 10, 1880)

10th Grand Chancellor Julius A. Bonitz, Goldsboro (Ruffin Lodge#6) – 1881-1882 (11th annual, Goldsboro, Feb. 8, 1881)

11th Grand Chancellor John L. H. Missellier, New Bern (Athenian Lodge#8) – 1882-1883 (12th annual, Goldsboro, Feb. 14, 1882)

12th Grand Chancellor Eugene G. Harrell, Raleigh (Centre Lodge#3) – 1883-1884 (13th annual, Wilmington, Feb. 13, 1883)

13th Grand Chancellor William T. Hollowell, Goldsboro (Justicia Lodge#11) – 1884-1885 (14th annual, Raleigh, Feb. 12, 1884)

14th Grand Chancellor J.C. Brewster, Raleigh (Centre Lodge#3) – 1885-1886 (15th annual, Raleigh, Feb. 10, 1885)

15th Grand Chancellor S.C. White, Raleigh (Centre Lodge#3) – 1886-1887 (16th annual, Raleigh, Feb 9, 1886)

16th Grand Chancellor Nathan O'Berry, Goldsboro (Ruffin Lodge#6) – 1887-1888 (17th annual, New Bern, Feb 8, 1887) (Special, Goldsboro, Sept. 15, 1887)



17th Grand Chancellor Thomas Davis Meares, Wilmington (Stonewall Lodge#1) –1888-1889 (18th annual, Greensboro, Feb. 4,1888). **Grand Jurisdiction of North Carolina (1888)-Name Change**

18th Grand Chancellor Thomas Davis Mears, Wilmington (Stonewall Lodge#1) – 1889-1890 (19th annual, Salisbury, June 11, 1889)

19th Grand Chancellor W.S. Cook, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge #5) -1890-1891 (20th annual, Durham, June 18, 1890)

20th Grand Chancellor John M. Sherwood, Raleigh (Centre Lodge#3) -1891-1892 (21st annual, Charlotte, June 17, 1891)

21st Grand Chancellor Charles D. Benbow, Greensboro (Greensboro Lodge#28) – 1892-1893 (22th annual, Wilmington, June 15, 1892)

22nd Grand Chancellor Eugene A. Ebert, Winston-Salem (Damon Lodge#41) – 1893-1894 (23rd annual, Greensboro, June 21, 1893)

23rd Grand Chancellor C.E. Holton, Greensboro (Greensboro Lodge#28) – 1894-1895 (24th annual, Winston, June 20, 1894)

24th Grand Chancellor Charles A. Webb, Asheville (Pisgah Lodge#32) – 1895-1896 (25th annual, Mt. Airy, June 19, 1895)

25th Grand Chancellor Washington Catlett, Wilmington (Clarendon Lodge#2) – 1896-1897 (26th annual, Asheville, June 16, 1896)

26th Grand Chancellor Robert H. Rickert, Statesville (Statesville Lodge#46) – 1897-1898 (27th annual, Charlotte, June 15, 1897) Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of the Domain of North Carolina (Incorporated-General Assembly State of North Carolina-(3/1897)*Official name since 1897.

27th Grand Chancellor Thomas S Franklin, Charlotte (Rathbone Lodge#37)– 1898-1899 (28th annual, Wilmington, June 14, 1898)

28th Grand Chancellor William J Woodward, Wilmington (Jefferson Lodge#61) – 1899-1900 (29th annual, Fayetteville, June 20, 1899)

29th Grand Chancellor George W Montcastle, Lexington (Lexington Lodge#71) – 1900-1901 (30th annual, Durham, April 24, 1900)



30th Grand Chancellor Lawrence P McCloud, Asheville (Pisgah Lodge#32) -1901- 1902 (31st annual, Asheville, April 23, 1901)

31st Grand Chancellor John Levi Scott, Burlington (Burlington Lodge#50) 1902- 1903 (32nd annual, Asheville, June 10, 1902)

32nd Grand Chancellor William M Lyles, Charlotte (Mecklenburg Lodge#90) – 1903-1904 (33rd annual, Wilmington, June 9, 1903)

33rd Grand Chancellor William F Robertson, Wilmington – 1904-1905 (34th annual, Winston-Salem, June 14-16, 1904)

34th Grand Chancellor Alf S Barnard, Asheville – 1905-1906 (35th annual, Charlotte, June 13-15, 1905)

35th Grand Chancellor William W. Wilson, Raleigh, 1906-1907 (36th annual, Greensboro, June 12-13, 1906)

36th Grand Chancellor W.C. Crist, Winston-Salem – 1907-1908 (37th annual, Elizabeth City, June 11-13, 1907)

37th Grand Chancellor Thomas H. Webb, Duke, N.C. -1908-1909 (38th annual, Raleigh, June 9-10, 1908)

38th Grand Chancellor George L Hackney, Lexington 1909-1910 (39th annual, Hendersonville, June 8-10, 1909)

39th Grand Chancellor A.E. McCausland, Charlotte – 1910-1911 (40th annual, Charlotte, June 14-16, 1910)

40th Grand Chancellor C.C. Mclean, Greensboro – 1911-1912 (41th annual, Asheville, June 13-15, 1911)

41st Grand Chancellor Walker Taylor, Wilmington – 1912-1913 (42th annual, Wrightsville Beach, June 11-12, 1912)

42nd Grand Chancellor J.D. Pridgen, Durham 1913-1914 (43th annual, Winston-Salem, June 10-12, 1913)



43rd Grand Chancellor J.G. Baird, Charlotte – 1914-1915 (44th annual, Durham, June 9-11, 1914)

44th Grand Chancellor J.G. Baird, Charlotte – 1915-1916 (45th annual, Salisbury, June 8-10, 1915)

45th Grand Chancellor McBride Holt, Graham -1916-1917 (46th annual, Waynesville, June 13-15, 1916)

46th Grand Chancellor Byron Clark, Salisbury – 1917-1918 (47th annual, Rocky Mount, June 12-13, 1917)

47th Grand Chancellor Byron Clark, Salisbury – 1918-1919 (No Meeting – World War I)

48th Grand Chancellor D.W. Sorrell, Durham -1919-1920 (48th annual, Henderson, June 10-12, 1919)

49th Grand Chancellor R.S. McCoin, Henderson – 1920-1921 (49th annual, Gastonia, June 8-10, 1920)

50th Grand Chancellor E.M. Geier, Canton – 1921-1922 (50th annual, Greensboro, June 14-16, 1921)

51st Grand Chancellor R. Gregg Cherry, Gastonia -1922-1923 (51th annual, Wilmington, June 13-15, 1922)

52nd Grand Chancellor L.L. Caudle, Charlotte – 1922-1924 (52th annual, Morganton, June 12-14, 1923)

53rd Grand Chancellor D.F. Gils, Marion – 1924-1925 (53th annual, Raleigh, June10-12, 1924)

54th Grand Chancellor Richard L Meares, Wilmington – 1925-1926 (54th annual, Winston-Salem, June 9-11, 1926)

55th Grand Chancellor C.W. Coghill, Rocky Mount -1926-1927 (55th annual, Goldsboro, June 8-10, 1926)

56th Grand Chancellor J. Fred Brower, Jr., Winston-Salem – 1927-1928 (56th annual, Charlotte, June 14-16, 1927)



57th Grand Chancellor C.F.Gore, Weldon -1928-1929 (57th annual, Burlington, June 12-14, 1928)

58th Grand Chancellor Leonard Vyne, North Wilkesboro – 1929-1930 (58th annual, Greensboro, June 11-12, 1929)

59th Grand Chancellor Sam O. Worthington, Greenville – 1930-1931 (59th annual, Durham, June 10-11, 1930)

60th Grand Chancellor Ben S Houston, Mooresville – 1931-1932 (60th annual, Rocky Mount, June 9-10, 1931)

61st Grand Chancellor John F Greene, Goldsboro – 1932-1933 (61th annual, Greensboro, June 14-15, 1932) 62nd Grand Chancellor George H Bramlett, Asheville – 1933-1934 (62th annual, Winston-Salem, June 13-14, 1933)

63rd Grand Chancellor William B Burke, Greensboro – 1934-1935 (63th annual, Asheville, June 12-13, 1934)

64th Grand Chancellor J.T. Pritchett, Lenoir -1935-1936 (64th annual, Charlotte, 1935)

65th Grand Chancellor W.C. Best, Chapel Hill -1936-1937 (65th annual, Hickory, June 16-17, 1936)

66th Grand Chancellor J. Arthur Eagle, Charlotte – 1937-1938 (66th annual, Wilmington, June 7-8, 1937)

67th Grand Chancellor C.E. Worley, Goldsboro – 1938-1939 (67th annual, Winston-Salem, June 14-151 1938)

68th Grand Chancellor Jason E. Buff, Hickory -1939-1940 (68th annual, Salisbury, June 13, 1939)

69th Grand Chancellor E.H. Foley, Goldsboro – 1940-1941 (69th annual, Fayetteville, June 11-12, 1940)

70th Grand Chancellor J.F. Harrelson, Salisbury (Salisbury-Rowan Lodge#100) 1941-1942 (70th annual, Winston-Salem, June 10, 1941)



71st Grand Chancellor Sheldon M. Roper, Lincolnton -1942-1943 (71th annual, Durham, June 10, 1942)

72nd Grand Chancellor Frank P Womack, Lenoir -1943-1944 (72th annual, Statesville, June 8, 1943)

73rd Grand Chancellor J. Allan Dun, Salisbury (Salisbury-Rowan #100)-1944-1945 (73rd annual, Winston-Salem, June 13, 1944)

74th Grand Chancellor H.R. Gwaltney, Winston-Salem – 1945-1946 (74th annual, Charlotte, June 11-12, 1945)

75th Grand Chancellor J.L. Weathers, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) – 1946-1947 (75th annual, Sanford, June 11, 1946)

76th Grand Chancellor H.K. Lineback, Winston-Salem -1947-1948 (76th annual, Blowing Rock, June 17-18, 1947)

77th Grand Chancellor Robert D. Holleman, Durham – 1948-1949 (77th annual, Morehead City, June 22-23, 1948) 78th Grand Chancellor Lloyd M. Rash, Lenoir – 1949-1950 (78th annual, Winston-Salem,

79th Grand Chancellor Howard M. Whitener, Lincolnton -1950-1951 (79th annual, Goldsboro, June 13-14, 1950)

80th Grand Chancellor R. Lawrence Cooper, Clayton – 1951-1952 (80th annual, Blowing Rock, June 12-13, 1951)

81st Grand Chancellor Dr. A.C. Chamberlain, North Wilkesboro – 1952-1953 (81th annual, Durham, June 9-10, 1952)

82nd Grand Chancellor Roy C. Warren, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) – 1953-1954 (82th annual, Raleigh, June 8-9, 1953)

83rd Grand Chancellor W.A. Graham, Charlotte -1954-1955 (83th annual, Fayetteville, June 14-15, 1955)

84th Grand Chancellor William Robertson, Canton – 1955-1956 (84th annual, Salisbury, June 12-13, 1956)

June 14-15, 1949)



85th Grand Chancellor Dewey W. Huggins, Jr., Whiteville – 1956-1957 (85th annual, Winston-Salem, Oct. 8-9, 1957)

86th Grand Chancellor Milton Barefoot, Durham – 1957-1958 (86th annual, Durham, Oct. 7-8, 1958)

87th Grand Chancellor Lester G. Carter, Jr., Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) – 1958-1959 (87th annual, Fayetteville, Oct. 13-14, 1959)

88th Grand Chancellor E. Carl Anderson, Lenoir – 1959-1960 (88th annual, Blowing Rock, Oct. 14-15, 1960)

89th Grand Chancellor W. Earl Wolfe, Charlotte – 1960-1961 (89th annual, Charlotte, June 20-21, 1961)

90th Grand Chancellor Dr. H.M. Vandiviere, Chapel Hill – 1961-1962 (90th annual, Chapel Hill, June 12-13, 1962)

91st Grand Chancellor Lewis E. Watson, Lenoir – 1962-1963 (91th annual, Chapel Hill, June 12-13, 1962)

92nd Grand Chancellor J.E. Nelson, Clayton – 1963-1964 (92th annual, Salisbury, June 11-12, 1963)

93rd Grand Chancellor Millard L. Leonard, Greensboro – 1964-1965 (93th annual, Morehead, June 10-11, 1964)

94th Grand Chancellor William T. Perry, Charlotte – 1964-1965 (94th annual, Morehead, June 10-11, 1964)

95th Grand Chancellor Eb. W. Smith, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) – 1966-1967 (95th annual, Charlotte, June 14-15, 1966)

96th Grand Chancellor Kenneth Brown, Raleigh – 1967-1968 (96th annual – no record 1967)

97th Grand Chancellor J.T. Squires, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) 1968-1969 (97th annual, Raleigh, June 7-8, 1968)

98th Grand Chancellor W.H. Hayes, Cherryville – 1969-1970 (98th annual, Winston-Salem, June 6-7, 1969)

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99th Grand Chancellor Emiel Saleeby, Salisbury (Salisbury-Rowan Lodge#100) - 1970-1971 (99th annual, Lenoir, June 12, 1970)

100th Grand Chancellor James V. Scott, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5)-1971-1972 (100th annual, Wilmington, June 11-12, 1971)

101st Grand Chancellor Robert C. Hayes, Cherryville – 1972-1973 (101th annual, Fayetteville, June 16-17, 1972)

102nd Grand Chancellor E. Carl Anderson, Jr., Lenoir – 1972-1974 (102th annual, Asheville, June 22-23, 1973)

103rd Grand Chancellor Jasper L Baggett, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) - 1974-1975 (103rd annual, Charlotte, June 21-22, 1974)

104th Grand Chancellor H.L. Beam, III, Cherryville – 1975-1976 (104th annual, Fayetteville, June 20-21, 1975)

105th Grand Chancellor Joe H. Morris, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) - 1976-1977 (105th annual, Cherryville, June 18-19, 1976)

106th Grand Chancellor Jack McNeely, Cherryville – 1977-1978 (106th annual, Fayetteville, June 24-25, 1977)

107th Grand Chancellor Edward S. (Buddy) Womack, Raleigh – 1978-1979 (107th annual, Raleigh, June 22-23, 1979)

108th Grand Chancellor Thomas H. Finch, Fayetteville(Cumberland Lodge#5)-1979-1980(108th annual, Raleigh, June 22-23, 1979.)

109th Grand Chancellor Morris McGinnis, Cherryville – 1980-1981 (109th annual, Fayetteville, June 20-21, 1980)

110th Grand Chancellor Norman T. McLaurin, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) 1981-1982 (110th annual, Asheville, June 12-13, 1981)

111th Grand Chancellor J C Hardister, Salisbury (Salisbury-Rowan Lodge #100)-1982-1983 (111th annual, Southern Pines, June 25-26, 1982)



112th Grand Chancellor John C McInnis, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5)1983-1984 (112th annual, Raleigh, June 24-25, 1983)

113th Grand Chancellor Billy Sigmon, Greer, SC – 1984-1985 (113th annual, Fayetteville, June 22-23, 1984)

114th Grand Chancellor Larry C McPhail, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) - 1985-1986 (114th annual, Charlotte, June 21-22, 1985)

115th Grand Chancellor Monty McNeely, Cherryville – 1986-1987 (115th annual, Greensboro, June 27-28, 1986)

116th Grand Chancellor Frederick W. Pinkston, Salisbury (Salisbury-Rowan Lodge#100) -1987-1988 (116th annual, Hickory, June 19-20, 1987)

117th Grand Chancellor Keith L Jarvis, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge #5)-1988-1989 (117th annual, Burlington, June 17-18, 1988)

118th Grand Chancellor William E. Lackey, Cherryville – 1989-1990 (118th annual, Fayetteville, June 17-18, 1989)

119th Grand Chancellor Richard G Clark, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5)-1990-1991 (119th annual, Charlotte, June 15-16, 1990)

120th Grand Chancellor Edward Friday, Cherryville – 1991-1992 (120th annual, Fayetteville, June 14-15, 1991)

121st Grand Chancellor David R Gilliland, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) - 1992-1993 (121st annual, Charlotte, June 12-13 1992)

122nd Grand Chancellor James R. Kirby, Salisbury (Salisbury-Rowan Lodge#100) - 1993-1994 (122nd annual, Southern Pine, June 18-19, 1993)

123rd Grand Chancellor Noah B Hill, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5)-1994-1995 (123rd annual, Salisbury, June 17-18, 1994)

124th Grand Chancellor William E. Cannon, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5)-1995-1996 (124th annual, Fayetteville, June 23-24, 1995)

125th Franklin A Dawson, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) -1996-1997 (125th annual, Lenoir, June 21-22, 1996)



126th Grand Chancellor William R. Spade, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5)-1997-1998 (126th annual, Southern Pines, June 19-21, 1997)

127th Grand Chancellor J. Stacy Hair, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) - 1998-1999 (127th annual, Wilmington, June 19-21, 1998)

128th Grand Chancellor John F Lynch, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) - 1999-2000 (128th annual, Southern Pines, June 4-6, 1999)

129th Grand Chancellor Butch Duane Gantt, Cherryville – 2000-2001 (129th annual, Southern Pines, June 24-25, 2000)

130th Grand Chancellor W.E.Bethune, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge #5)-2001-2002 (130th annual, Wilmington, June 15-17, 2001)

131st Grand Chancellor Gene Freeman, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5)-2002-2003 (131st annual, Southern Pines, June 14-16, 2002)

132nd Grand Chancellor A. Wayne Barr, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5)-2003-2004 (132nd annual, Southern Pines, June 20-22, 2003)

133rd Grand Chancellor Lee Parris, Cherryville- 2004-2005 (133th annual, Hickory, June 18-20, 2004)

134th Grand Chancellor Frank Daniels, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) - 2005-2006 (134th annual, Burlington, June 24-26, 2005)

135th Grand Chancellor Richard Scott Huffman, Cherryville – 2006-2007 (135th annual, Myrtle Beach, SC, Sept. 20-24, 2006)

136th Grand Chancellor Sheldon Strickland, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5)-2007-2008 (136th annual, Myrtle Beach, SC, Sept 13-15, 2007)

137th Grand Chancellor Darren Brittain, Cherryville – 2008-2009 (137th annual, Myrtle Beach, SC, Sept. 17-20, 2009)

138th Grand Chancellor Lynn Gilfus, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5)-2009-2010 (138th annual, Myrtle Beach, SC, Sept 16-18, 2010)



139th Grand Chancellor Tommy Sisk, Cherryville-2010-2011- 139th annual, Myrtle Beach, SC, Sept. 23-25, 2011.

140th Grand Chancellor Billy Neely, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) 2011-2012, (140th annual Myrtle Beach SC, September 20-23, 2012.)

141st Grand Chancellor Brian Gant, Cherryville, NC 2012-2013, (141st annual Sunset Beach, North Carolina, Sept 19-21, 2013)

142nd Grand Chancellor Neill Lindsay, Fayetteville (Cumberland Lodge#5) 2013-2014, (142nd annual Myrtle Beach, SC, September 20-22, 2013)