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## Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana

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Greetings Sir Knights and Ladies,

*“The highest levels of performance come to people who are centered, intuitive, creative, and reflective - people who know to see a problem as an opportunity.” — Deepak Chopra*

### **July Birthdays:**

John B. McClelland, 20, 7/1  
Lady Wilma Friend, widow of Carroll Joe Friend, GPE, 7/1  
Richard J. Bechinski, Rec. 30, 7/1  
Lady Marilyn Smelser, wife of Charles A. Smelser, DBC 3, 7/1  
Norman D. Smith, 28, 7/1  
Lady Cynthia Virgin, wife of Michael Virgin, 3, 7/4  
Larry L. Deutscher, 12, 7/5  
Donald L. Borchert, GPE, 41, 7/6  
Clarence D. Harter, 41, 7/6  
Lady Shirley Wallace, wife of Jack F. Wallace, KCT, PGC, 7/6  
Lady Karen Johnson, wife of Charles E. Johnson, GPE, 7/8  
Lady Jean Dutton, wife of Michael M. Dutton, 14, 7/8  
Peter T. Zivanovich, KCT, PGC, 7/10  
Lady Cheryl Scott, wife of Kevin Scott, 62, 7/10  
Michael Burke Johnson, REGCG, GE, 7/11  
Larry E. Gary, KCT, KTCH, PGHP, PGGHP, GGSEC 7/12  
Philip D. Whisner, KTCH, DBC 4, Aide, 7/13  
Lady Barbara Baird, wife of Pat Baird, 12, 7/16  
Glenn W. Schmidt, GSwdB, 7/17  
Eldred T. Glass, 35, 7/18  
John H. LaBounty, 57, 7/19  
Lady Denna Dimond, wife of Roger Dimond, 35, 7/19

G. Donald Laudeman, III, 31, 7/20  
Jack F. Wallace, KCT, PGC, 7/21  
John A. Bridegroom, KCT, REGS, DBC 1, 7/21  
John E. Hylemon, KTCH, 41, 7/24  
Lady Ginny Sheets, wife of Wayne A. Sheets, KTCH, GPE, 7/25  
Lady Peggy Hylemon, wife of John E. Hylemon, KTCH, 41, 7/26  
Phillip A. Ritter, Aide, 32, 7/28  
Lady Donna Miller, wife of David Miller, 1, 7/28  
John W. Patterson, GW, 7/30  
Carleton E. Hinshaw, 2, 7/30  
Lady Pat Tungett, wife of Ronald Tungett, KCT, PGC, 7/30  
Lady Casey Pittman, wife of Eric Pittman, 12, 7/30  
Andrew W. Wiley, 1, 7/31  
Edward E. Fodrea, 4, 35, 7/31

***“You never lose by loving. You always lose by holding back.” — Barbara De Angelis***

### **July Anniversaries:**

Bob & Nancy Frazer, 7/1  
Harold & Barbara Black, 7/2  
Carl & Gaylynn Dykman, 7/3  
Lloyd & Barbara Forney, 7/3  
Richard & Cindy Bechinski, 7/5  
Jim & Bonnie Dove, 7/6  
Jack & Shirley Wallace, 7/7  
Jim & Carol Davis, 7/11  
Charles & Janel King, 7/12  
David & Jeanine Marie Jenkins, 7/15  
Charles & Bonnie Huff, 7/18  
Lloyd & Barbara Atterson, Sr., 7/20  
Jeffrey & Elizabeth Reich, 7/20  
Steven & Lenora Keller, 7/22  
Michael & Barbara Gillard, 7/26  
John & Tammy Bridegroom, 7/27  
J. Robert & Marlene Fiers, 7/30  
Lloyd & Helen Marsh, 7/30  
Kris & Chere Phillips, 7/30

***“The challenge of leadership is to be strong, but not rude; be kind, but not weak; be bold, but not bully; be thoughtful, but not lazy; be humble, but not timid; be proud, but not arrogant; have humor, but without folly.”— Jim Rohn***

### **Miscellaneous:**

Effective July 1, 2014 the new Grand Secretary for the AMD is: Shane Harshbarger, Grand Secretary, Grand Council Allied Masonic Degrees, 519 Park St., Des Moines, IA 50309<BR> 515-865-4727 E-Mail: [shaasr@gmail.com](mailto:shaasr@gmail.com); Fraternally, Robert G. Davis, Sovereign Grand Master

*Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Indiana*  
**Collectable Medallion**



**This medallion, designed by John Bridegroom and issued by the Grand Commandery of Indiana, is a fundraiser for the 2018 Triennial to be held in Indianapolis, Indiana during the year that our own Duane Vaught will be the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. Your purchase and support is very important. Please consider buying multiple quantities to receive shipping discount and to give away to your friends.**

**Ask any Officer or go to <http://www.indianaknightstemplar.com/> to order one, priced at \$10.00 each.**

**Sickness & Distress:**

**James L. Dove, KCT, PGC:** Jim was going into the hospital for some tests and possible surgery. Please keep him in your prayers.

**Update 3/25:** Hello Larry, I'm going for a Nuclear Stress Test tomorrow (Wed.) at Memorial Hospital in South Bend. Doctor won't do in normal office lab due to aneurism on my aorta. Wants to be sure if something goes wrong facilities are available to take care of. This test will tell them the exact blockage (flow) of the Widow Maker Vein and the exact size of the aneurism. Maybe they will be able to finally make some decisions as to what course they want to pursue, either the Widow-Maker first or the aneurism. I'm getting tired of being poked and prodded and just want them to tell me exactly what needs to be done. My diet is going well as I have lost over 14 pounds but I still want to take off 20 more. I plan on being at the Grand Conclave as I already have my hotel reservation although I may not attend the banquets. Fraternally and Best Wishes, Jim

**Update 5/30:** Hello Larry, having outpatient surgery at 11 AM on bleeding situation from rectum, also I have outpatient surgery scheduled next Thursday to trim the bone inside both nostrils of my nose. The rectum is just a minor setback but the nose job is going to be worse. Dr. tells me I have to keep my nose packed for at least a week, sleep upright and hopefully don't sneeze? When it rains it pours for me but life is good. Sorry not to see you this weekend. Fraternally, Jim

**Larry W. Brown, KCT, PGC, ECDC:** Had surgery on his eyelids and is home resting.

**M.W. Bro. Roger Van Gorden, PGM of Indiana** and Founding President of The Masonic Society suffered a heart attack early Wednesday morning. He underwent a heart catheterization and had a stint inserted in a major artery that was ninety-percent blocked. He is resting well in the Columbus hospital and is expected to make a complete recovery. Please keep Roger and his wife Patti in your prayers as Patti has been having some health problems of her own. Jim Dillman.

**Update 6/7:** Roger is now home resting.

**Janet Kaminsky:** Janet underwent a double epidural shot in the lower back to relieve her back pain. It seemed to help for about a week but she is now having more pain. They are going to give her one more shot this week in hopes that will help. If not, then she either has to live with the pain or have back surgery.

**Update 6/23:** Janet is trying a TENS unit to help relieve her pain.

**Larry Kaminsky:** Has not been feeling well for a while now. Initial tests indicate a probable problem with the gall bladder. I will have a MRI next week.

**Update 6/9:** Did not have an MRI but a Nuclear Scan. Results came in that I have a dysfunctional Gall Bladder. I have a scheduled appointment on 6/25 to meet a surgeon.

**Update 6/25:** Surgery is scheduled for 7/16.

**Donald L. Borchert, GPE:** Is scheduled to have ankle surgery next week. He currently cannot walk on the ankle as it has folded over. He will be laid up 4-6 weeks after surgery.

**Update 6/10:** Hey everyone, this is Mickey. Don's surgery went well, almost 4 hours. More damage to ankle than the x-rays showed. Staying overnight and maybe till Wed. not sure yet.

**Update:** Just thought I'd give you an update on my hubby. He had surgery on the 9th and stayed in the hospital till the 12th. Now he is at Kindred Rehab in Dyer. He sees his doctor tomorrow; and we think he'll have the staples out and a cast put on. The Doc says the ankle was much worse than the x-ray showed. Surgery was 4 hours. He has a rod thru his heel and nuts and bolts along the way. Will keep you posted..... Mickey

**Christopher Hodapp, KCT:** 6/19/2014 I just got a phone call from Chris Hodapp's wife Alice, who asked me to put some information out about Chris. Today (Thursday) Chris was admitted to the ICU at a local hospital for observation and some tests. That said, let me stress that he is OK and should be back home in about three days. It seems that he may have had a medical problem that was exacerbated by his pain medications, but that's why he's in ICU for observation and testing -- the doctors just don't know at this point. And I certainly don't know any more than I've been told, so please let's all refrain from speculating in advance of knowledge :) In the meantime, Alice has asked that friends and acquaintances please refrain from calling/texting/writing, because she will either be trying to get some rest at home or will be with Chris in the ICU where phones aren't allowed. She is also not certain what his speaking schedule is, so if you were expecting Chris to appear within the next week or so, he's probably not going to be able to make it. However, looking at his schedule as posted on [freemasonsfordummies.blogspot.com](http://freemasonsfordummies.blogspot.com), it looks like he doesn't have anything until late July. If that's not the case, please contact me directly -- not that I can do anything about it, but I will certainly pass the information along to Alice so that she is aware of it. In the meantime, friends and brothers, prayer is always appropriate. Please pray for Chris to have a complete and rapid recovery, and for Alice to be blessed with fortitude in this time of stress and worry. More as we know it. S&F, Nathan Brindle, PM

**Lloyd Atterson, Sr.** Please be advised that I will be having a total knee replacement this coming Monday morning (6/30). Lloyd Atterson, Sr

## Indiana Deaths:



I regret to inform you that **Past Grand Commander R. Frank Williams, KCT, PGC, HPDC** passed away last night. He has been reunited with his beloved Gracie. I have been told that it was his written instructions that his body be cremated and that he did not want a Masonic service. At this time the family is considering having some type of remembrance service at Enon Baptist Church in Fort Branch early in the week but nothing has been set so far. Whenever I learn more I will be happy to pass it along if you wish. Respectfully, David Johnson, LaValette Commandery No.15, Fort Branch Lodge 696.

R. Frank Williams of Fort Branch, IN was born October 31, 1923 at Wheatland, IN. He attended Baldwin Heights Public School and graduated from Princeton High School in Princeton, IN. He also attended Lockyears Business College, Purdue University and Indiana University. He served in the U.S. Navy from December of 1942 until April 1946. He was formerly associated with the Highway Machine Company as a purchasing agent in Princeton before assuming a new position with the Gibson County Farm Bureau Co-op Association, Inc., as their Executive Vice President. He married the former Grace Lillian DeLong in Fort Branch on June 29, 1947 and they had three daughters, Marjan, Chris Ellen, and

Patricia Joyce. They were members of the General Baptist Church of Fort Branch.

Sir Knight Williams was active in all branches of Masonry, joining Fort Branch Lodge No. 696 F&A.M in March of 1947 and served as their Worshipful Master in 1954 and served as Trustee from 1955 to 1957. He became a Royal Arch Mason in February of 1960 and served as High Priest of Evansville Chapter No 12. He became a Cryptic Mason in February 1960 and served as Illustrious Master in Simpson Council No. 23. He became a Knight Templar in March of 1960 and served as Eminent Commander in LaValette Commandery No. 15. He was a member of the Evansville Valley Scottish Rite and served as the Sovereign Prince of Mordecai Council Princes of Jerusalem and received his honorary 33° at Pittsburg in 1967. He also served as Worthy Patron of his local Eastern Star Chapter during the years of 1960, 1962, 1964 and 1966. He received his Knight York Cross of Honor in Robert A. Woods Priory No. 62. He was a member of St. James Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine. He was also a member of the Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests. He received the Honorary Legion of Honor from the DeMolay and the Grand Cross of Colors from the Rainbow Girls. He was elected Right Eminent Grand Commander Knights Templar of Indiana at the 115th Annual Conclave held Lafayette in May.1977. He served as Grand Prelate in 1985-86. He received the Knight Commander of the Temple in 1992. He served on the Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee as Chairman for many years and made numerous trips to the Holy Land with Ministers from all over the United States. He was given the distinction of Honorary Past Department Commander.

Sir Knight Williams served as Clerk-Treasurer of Fort Branch from 1950 until 1954 and was active in the local Kiwanis Club, serving as their director. He was a member of the National Society of Accountants for Co-ops and was a Past President of Gideon's International.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Gracie.

**Dennis Durnell:** Sir Knights: It is with a heavy heart that I pass onto you the sad news of the passing of the long time Treasurer of the Michigan City York Rite Bodies, Dennis Durnell. The visitation for Dennis will be Friday June 13th at Root Funeral Home, located at 312 East 7th Street, Michigan City. Visitation will be from 4:00 pm till 8:00 pm. There will be a Masonic Service at 7:00 pm. There will be a church service Saturday morning. The Church is located at 121 East 7th Street, Michigan City. Visitation will be 9:00 till 10:00 am with the service to follow. The family is requesting an Honor Guard at the visitation Friday and if we have enough Sir Knights Saturday to form an Arch of Steel as he leaves the Church. If you are able to participate please email or give me a call at 219-921-9174 so that I can let the family know. Fraternally, Larry Williams, GCG

**James L. Kerns, KTCH** (October 24, 1941 - June 8, 2014). James L. Kerns, age 72, Logansport, passed



away at 5:15 a.m., on Sunday, June 8, 2014, in his residence, surrounded by his wife and family. Born on October 24, 1941, in Logansport, he was the son of the late Leonard and Margaret Bodell Kerns. On June 20, 1969, in Rockfield he married Patricia L. Johnson, who survives, in Logansport. A 1962 graduate of Logansport High School, Jim served 4 years and 8 months in the United States Navy in Vietnam. He retired from Trelle Borg in 2003. Jim belonged to many Masonic Bodies including Tipton Lodge #33, York and Scottish Rites, and Eastern Star. He received the Knights Templar Cross of Honor in 2011. He also was a member of the American Legion Post 60 and VFW Post 3790, and River of Life Christian Church. He enjoyed spending time outdoors, reading, working with his hands, and collecting various items. He especially loved spending time with his children and grandchildren. He leaves behind many friends who loved him. Surviving with his wife, Pat, are daughters, Melissa (Brad)

Benn, LeMoore, Calif., and Melinda Klein, Logansport; grandchildren, Bryce and Maggie Benn, and Kelley and Christopher Klein. Jim was preceded in death by brothers, Robert, Tib, Harry, and Jerry; sisters, Barb Shaffer, Betty Hawkins, and Della Kerns. Visitation will be from 4:00 until 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, with a Masonic Service at 7:00 p.m., at the funeral home. The service will be at 11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, June 11, 2014, at Kroeger Funeral Home, with Jeff Strite officiating. Interment, with full military honors, will be in Ever-Rest Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made in Jim's honor to the Shriners Hospitals for Children, 1900 Richmond Road, Lexington, KY 40502. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

James A. Isles, II: For those of you that have not heard, my grandfather **Bill Olson** passed away on Tuesday. Visitation will be at Bocken Funeral Home, Monday June 16th from 2-4 and 6-8. Funeral will be held on Tuesday at 10 AM.

*“If you want to know what a man's like, take a good look at how he treats his inferiors, not his equals.”  
— J. K. Rowling*

### **Red Book Directory Changes:**

**G. Leon Weber, PGHP: New E-Mail: [gordonlweber@gmail.com](mailto:gordonlweber@gmail.com)**

*“Your work is going to fill a large part of your life, and the only way to be truly satisfied is to do what you believe is great work. And the only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven't found it yet, keep looking. Don't settle. As with all matters of the heart, you'll know when you find it.”— Steve Jobs*

## Important Dates:

Tues. July 1, 2014.

Summer meeting reports due to the Grand Recorder.

Fri. July 4, 2014.

**4th of July Fireworks party at 6:30 PM:** Bring the entire family to downtown Indianapolis AASR to enjoy some food, fellowship and fireworks! Food service will begin at 6:30 in the Banquet Hall. Cost is \$10 per adult and \$5 for children. At 8:00 PM the cast will present a short Masonic Play - *The Last Full Measure* in the Theater. This event is open to all members and their accompanied guests. Fireworks will begin at dusk. Don't forget your coolers and chairs!

Tues. July 8, 2014.

~~Anderson Chapter No. 52 & Middletown Chapter No. 143 will have a Royal Arch Degree: 6:00 PM Dinner, 7:00 PM Royal Arch Degree; Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 77, 3921 W Nichol Ave, Anderson, IN 46011. Contact: Max Maupin at (765) 649 1753 or (765) 749 4625 or [maup@sbeglobal.net](mailto:maup@sbeglobal.net)~~  
**Postponed.**

Thurs, July 10-12, 2014.

The Knights Templar has been asked to perform the receiving lines for the Rainbow Girls Grand Session at Columbus. Thus, we will need to form the Lines on Thursday, July 10 at 7 PM and provide the Arch of Steel and Present Swords. The Grand Commander will be in attendance therefore, we can do an actual Arch of Steel for him. Let's see how many Sir Knights we can get out to support the Rainbow Girls. On Thursday, July 10: 6:00 PM assemble 7:00 PM form the Lines at Clarion Hotel and Conference Center, Formerly Holiday Inn Columbus, 2480 Jonathan Moore Pike, Columbus, IN 47201

Sat, July 12, 2014.

Rod Gardner, Past Grand High Priest, will be installed as Grand Chancellor Commander of Knights of Pythias for the State of Indiana on Saturday, July 12, 2014. The installation will be open to the public beginning at 2:00 pm at the Best Western Hotel in Lafayette, IN. Additional information about the Knights of Pythias and membership is available at <http://www.knightsofpythiasofnewcastle.com/> Reply to George Ingles at [ginglespgc@comcast.net](mailto:ginglespgc@comcast.net). With four (4) petitions there is a jacket available with the Knights of Pythias logo on the front and back, and your name, in about seven (7) different colors, including BLACK. George Ingles

July 15, 2014.

Elkhart Commandery No. 31 Holy Land Pilgrimage Steak Fry Fund Raiser 6:00 PM (ET) at the Elkhart Masonic Temple, 931 Industrial Pkwy, Elkhart, IN: Come join the Templars and our friends for the annual steak fry to raise money to send a local minister to the Holy Land. This is a traditional program for Christian Knights to assist local ministers in gaining a "Boots on the Ground" understanding of the foundations of our religion and literally follow in the footsteps of Christ. Please come out and support Elkhart Commandery in this cause. Call now for reservations: \$20.00 per person or \$35.00 per couple. Contact Dave Wood at 574-286-5686 or e-mail him at [dwood52281@aol.com](mailto:dwood52281@aol.com). John R. Frechette, EC

- Sat, July 19, 2014.** Grand Commandery Summer Meeting at 9351 E 450 S Selma, IN 47383 (Larry Brown's home); Start time at 10 AM (ET)
- Fri-Sat, July 18-19, 2014.** Grand Council Crypt Rededication – **See attached Flyer for information.**  
Contact: Jim Adamson at (812) 945-2771 or [jr-adamson@msn.com](mailto:jr-adamson@msn.com)
- Sat, July 19, 2014.** 10:00 AM Royal Arch Degree, 12:00 PM Lunch at Clinton Chapter No. 82, Frankfort Masonic Temple, 201 S Main St, Frankfort, IN 46041; Contact: Virgil Humphrey at (765) 652-1020 or [lund.vgh@gmail.com](mailto:lund.vgh@gmail.com)
- Sat. July 19, 2014.** Gatekeepers Chapter of Widows Sons will be riding for the Indianapolis Learning Center. Starting at Scottish Rite Cathedral in Indianapolis and will finish at Indiana Masonic Home in Franklin. Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. Ride starts at 9:30 a.m. \$25 per rider, \$10 per passenger. Proceeds benefit Scottish Rite Dyslexia Center. For details or pre-register contact Bob Jones at 317-850-2499 or [rjones1372@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rjones1372@sbcglobal.net)
- Mon. July 21, 2014.** Shelby Chapter #20 will be putting on the Royal Arch Degree on Monday, July 21st. Dinner at 6 PM, Work to begin at 7 PM at Sugar Creek Masonic Lodge. We would appreciate any and all help. Please pass this along to anyone interested. Contact: Jordan Demaree, High Priest at **317-956-4840**.
- Thu-Fri July 24-25, 2014.** DeMolay Grand Session at DePauw University
- Sat. July 26, 2014.** Illinois Grand Conclave at Normal, IL
- Jul. 30-Aug. 2, 2014.** York Rite Sovereign College Annual Session information: [www.yrscna.org](http://www.yrscna.org)
- August 1-3, 2014.** Raper Commandery Retreat, French Lick, Indiana; French Lick Resort Hotel, 8670 Indiana 56, French Lick, IN 47432; Contact: Danny Terril at (317) 867-4999 or [dterril@oes-solutions.com](mailto:dterril@oes-solutions.com)
- August 15-17, 2014.** The Fifth Annual Masonic Restoration Foundation Symposium will be held in Cincinnati on August 15-17, 2014. Speakers and workshops focus on enabling Masons and Lodges to improve their Masonic experience. Link: <http://www.mrfsymposium.org>  
This year's symposium will be jointly hosted by four Lodges: Lodge Vitruvian No. 767 of Indiana, Caliburn Lodge No. 785 and Arts & Sciences Lodge No. 792 of Ohio, and Lodge Ad Lucem No. 812 of Pennsylvania. Link: <http://www.vitruvian.org>  
They represent the full spectrum of observant Lodges, from European Concept, to Traditional Observance. The support of the Grand Lodges of Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania are gratefully acknowledged.  
Link: <http://www.vitruvian.org/concept>  
Make reservations at the Holiday Inn Cincinnati Airport Hotel at 1717 Airport Exchange Blvd in Erlanger, Kentucky. Attendees should request the 2014 MRF Symposium rate of \$92 per night when making their reservations. Link: <http://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/erlanger/cvgap/hoteldetail>



Contact: Lodge Vitruvian No. 767 F&AM, W. Bro. Carson C. Smith, 2207 Van Ness Place, Indianapolis, IN 46240-4703; [carson.c.smith@gmail.com](mailto:carson.c.smith@gmail.com)

**Sat. August 23, 2014.**

**8:00 PM: Colts vs. Saints**

If you haven't heard, The Grand Lodge of Indiana has partnered with the Indianapolis Colts to celebrate Masonic Day at Lucas Oil Stadium. In support of this endeavor, the Indiana Council of Deliberation has purchased 200 tickets for Scottish Rite members. 400 members of the Masonic Family will be able to be on the field and participate in the pre-game Flag Presentation in full Masonic Regalia! Ticket reservations are now available by calling the Council of Deliberation office at 317 -262-3100. Please advise if you want a spot on the field. Tickets are \$98.00 each. In addition, several Membership booths will be spread throughout the various concourses to promote our Fraternity.

**Sat. August 23, 2014.**

Grand High Priest Reception: Fort Wayne Masonic Temple, 216 E Washington Blvd, Fort Wayne, IN 46802-3122. Contact: Hank LaHurreau (260) 248-4970 Home or [hanknbev@centurylink.net](mailto:hanknbev@centurylink.net)

**Fri. August 29, 2014.**

Isley York Rite College No. 129; Sugar Creek Lodge No 279, 4810 N 450 W, Fairland, IN 46126; Called Assembly ay 7:30 PM (ET). Contact: David Willoughby at home: (317) 837-1098, e-mail: [dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com](mailto:dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com)

**Wed. September 3, 2014.**

This is a friendly reminder that the Valley of Indianapolis does NOT have Stated Meetings the months of July and August. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 7:00 PM. Bring your Passport as we will be presenting the 27th degree - ***Knight of Jerusalem.***

**Sat. September 6, 2014.**

Raper Gravesite Pilgrimage, Cincinnati, Ohio  
Raper Commandery No. 1, Indiana Freemasons' Hall, 525 N Illinois St, Floor 7, Indianapolis, IN 46204-1209; Contact: Carson Smith at (317) 319-3712 or [carson.c.smith@gmail.com](mailto:carson.c.smith@gmail.com).

**Sept. 10-14, 2014.**

Brethren: Registration Forms for the 79th Annual Conclave of Convent General, KYCH have been posted on Official Site, Convent General KYCH Deadline for registration is August 8, 2014. <http://www.kych.org/>

**General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International  
69th Triennial Convocation**

**General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International  
45th Triennial Assembly**

**Thursday September 25, 2014 through Tuesday September 30, 2014**

**Adam's Mark Hotel**

**120 Church Street, Buffalo, NY 14202 (716) 845-5100**

**Wed. September 24, 2014.** Convention Committee arrival; *Dinner on your own*

**Thurs. September 25, 2014.** Convention Committee arrival  
Tasks: Set up signage, hospitality room, headquarters, posters, registration desks, Masonic market place, etc.  
1:00-9:00PM-Registration  
1:00PM-5:00PM...7:00-10:00PM Hospitality Room  
Candidate's suites for hospitality/ campaign purposes  
Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner *on your own*  
Private dinner for General Grand Chapter RAM Officers (off site) *M-Tuxedo, W-Semi-formal*  
Private Dinner for General Grand Council Cryptic Officers (off site) *M-Tuxedo, W-Semi-formal*

**Fri. September 26, 2014.** Niagara Falls Tour Day  
7:00AM-9:00AM Breakfast Buffet  
7:00AM-11:00AM and 1:00PM-5:00PM Registration  
Hospitality Room 9:00AM-11:00AM and 1:00PM-4:00PM and 7:00PM-11:00PM  
Candidates' suites for hospitality/ campaign purposes  
Display/Vendors/Masonic Market Place  
Lunch (*on your own or off site with tour*)  
Tour of Niagara Falls- 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM *M&W-Casual*  
Note: Available all days- Buffalo Naval Park, Naval Museum, Flight Simulator, the USS Croaker, The Sullivan's & Little Rock Ships, Seneca Buffalo Creek Casino and entertainment complex.  
6:00PM-General Dinner for non-participants and Ladies with entertainment *M&W-Casual*  
6:00PM-Super Excellent Master Degree by Columbian Council No. 1 with Buffet Dinner *M-Tuxedo or Dark Suit, or Purple Coat*

**Sat. September 27, 2014.** Buffalo Tour  
7:00AM-9:00AM Breakfast Buffet  
7:00AM-11:00AM and 1:00PM-4:00PM Registration  
9:00AM-11:00AM and 1:00PM-4:00PM and 7:00PM-11:00PM Hospitality Room  
Candidate's suites for hospitality/ campaign purposes  
Display/Vendors  
Buffalo Tour-9:00 AM - 4:00 PM *M&W-Casual*  
6:00PM-General Dinner for non-participants and Ladies with entertainment *M&W-Casual*  
6:00PM-Independent Royal Arch No 2 Lodge RAM Degree with Table Chapter between sections of the degree. *M-Tuxedo, Red Jacket or Dark Suit*  
7:00PM-Convention Committee to set-up Main Meeting Room with Flag Display, dais & sound.

**Sun. September 28, 2014.** 7:00AM-9:00AM -Breakfast Buffet  
7:30AM-Inter-Denominational Church Service *M-Dark Suit or Red/Purple Jackets W-Business Casual*  
8:00AM-11:30AM-Triennial Parade Canal side with the Wedding of the Waters Reenactment at the Erie Canal; *M-Dark Suit or Red/Purple Jackets, W-Business Casual*

7:00AM-11:00AM and 1:00PM-4:00PM Registration  
9:00-11:00AM, and 1:00-4:00PM and 7:00-11:00PM Hospitality Room  
Candidates' suites for hospitality/ campaign purposes  
Masonic Market Place Display/Vendors  
11:45AM-12:45PM Lunch Buffet  
1:00PM-Opening of the Session and the Parade of Flags, Companion Donald  
Leo Mc Andrews (Ben Franklin), Introduction of Dignitaries, *M-Dark Suit or  
Red/Purple Jackets W-Business Casual*  
2:30PM-Welcome, Proclamations  
3:30PM Memorial Service  
4:00PM Deputy General Grand Master's meeting *M-Appropriate attire*  
4:00PM General Grand King's meeting *M-Appropriate attire*  
6:00PM Social Hour  
7:00PM Informal Banquet with entertainment *M&W-Casual*

**Mon. September 29, 2014.**

7:00-11:00AM and 1:00-4:00PM- Registration  
Display/Vendors  
7:00AM-9:00AM -Breakfast Buffet  
9:00AM-11:00AM, and 1:00PM-4:00PM and 7:00PM-11:00PM  
Candidate's suites for hospitality/ campaign purposes  
8:00AM-Opening of General Grand Chapter *M-Morning suit, Tuxedo, Dark  
Suit, Red Jacket, W-Business Casual*  
11:30AM -Ladies Luncheon, Chapter & Council combined *W-Business  
Casual*  
12:00PM -Men's Lunch  
1:00PM- Grand Chapter reconvenes  
2:00PM-Public Installation of Officers *W-Business Casual except for Officer's  
Ladies- Formal*  
6:00PM-Social Hour  
7:00PM-Formal Main Banquet with entertainment *M- Tuxedo, Dark Suit W-  
Formal*

**Tues. September 30, 2014.**

7:00AM-11:00AM Registration  
7:00AM-9:00AM Breakfast Buffet  
9:00AM -11:00AM Hospitality Room  
8:00 AM- General Grand Cryptic Opens *M-Morning suit, Tuxedo, Dark Suit,  
Purple Jacket, W-Business Casual*  
10:00AM-12:00PM-RARA Board Meeting  
12:00PM-Combined Men's & Women's Lunch *W-Business Casual*  
1:00PM-General Grand Cryptic Council reconvenes  
1:00PM Memorial for Most Puissant Companion George C. Sellars GGM  
2011-2014  
Note: The CMMRF meeting within the general session  
3:00PM- Public Installation Officers *W-Business Casual except for Officer's  
Ladies- Formal*  
Note: Board Meeting of the CMMRF (time and location TBD)  
Note: Close Display/Vendors/Masonic Market Place  
Note: Convention Staff decommissions

**Wed. October 1, 2014.**

8:00 A.M. - Convention Staff decommissions  
10:00 A.M. - General Grand Council, Officers meeting  
10:00 A.M. - General Grand Council, Trustees meeting

10:00 A.M. - General Grand Chapter, Officers meeting

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**Sat. September 27, 2014.**

Isley York Rite College No 129; Sugar Creek Lodge No 279, 4810 N 450 W, Fairland, IN; 1 PM (ET) Knight of York; Contact: David Willoughby at (317) 837-1098 or e-mail: [dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com](mailto:dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com)

**Tues. September 30, 2014.**

Indy AASR: Murder Mystery Dinner.

**Sat. October 4, 2014.**

York Rite One Day Class, Prather York Rite Bodies, Calvin W. Prather Lodge No. 717, 7502 E 56th St., Indianapolis, IN 46226-1309. 07:00 AM (ET) Registration; Council Degrees: 08:00 AM Select Master Degree; 08:45 AM Royal Master Degree; Chapter Degrees: 09:45 AM Mark Master Degree; 11:00 AM Past Master Degree; 11:30 AM Most Excellent Master Degree; 11:45 AM Lunch. Chapter Degrees: 1:15 PM; Royal Arch Degree; Commandery Orders: 3:00 PM Order of Red Cross; 4:15 PM Order of Malta; 5:30 PM Order of the Temple. Contact: Brian Lewis at (317) 445-2843 or [blewis717@gmail.com](mailto:blewis717@gmail.com)

**Sat. October 25, 2014.**

Order of Malta will be held at Fort Wayne Commandery No. 4, Fort Wayne Masonic Temple, 216 E Washington Blvd, Fort Wayne, IN 46802-3122. Contact: William Pond at (260) 602-5167 or [wwpond@gmail.com](mailto:wwpond@gmail.com)

**Fri. November 7, 2014.**

Reception for Grand Commander Michael D. Ritter including a 12 Man Reception at his home Commandery Anderson Commandery No. 32, Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 77, 3921 W. Nichol Ave, Anderson, IN 46011-2901. Contact: Max Maupin at (765) 649-1753 or (765) 749-4625 or [maup@sbcglobal.net](mailto:maup@sbcglobal.net)

**Fri/Sat Nov. 14-15, 2014.**

Scottish Rite Valley of Indianapolis Fall Convocation

04° Master Traveler

14° Grand Elect Mason

16° Prince of Jerusalem

18° Knight of the Rose Croix

20° Master ad Vitam

32° Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret

Additional degrees to be announced

Scottish Rite Cathedral, 650 N Meridian St, Indianapolis, IN 46204

Contact: Carson Smith at (317) 319-3712 or [carson.c.smith@gmail.com](mailto:carson.c.smith@gmail.com)

**Sat. November 22, 2014.**

Reception for Grand Commander at Raper Commandery No. 1, Indiana Freemasons' Hall, 525 N Illinois St, Floor 7, Indianapolis, IN 46204-1209.

Contact: Nathan Brindle at (317) 872-3241 or (317) 902-5617 or [nathan@brindle.com](mailto:nathan@brindle.com).

**Fri. February 20, 2015.**

Isley York Rite College No. 129; Sugar Creek Lodge No 279, 4810 N 450 W, Fairland, IN 46126; Called Assembly ay 7:30 PM (ET). Contact: David Willoughby at home: (317) 837-1098, e-mail: [dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com](mailto:dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com)

**Sat. March 21, 2015.**

Isley York Rite College No 129; Sugar Creek Lodge No 279, 4810 N 450 W, Fairland, IN; 1 PM (ET) Knight of York; Contact: David Willoughby at (317) 837-1098 or e-mail: [dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com](mailto:dwilloughby001@indy.rr.com)

*“Every father should remember that one day his son will follow his example instead of his advice.”  
— Charles F. Kettering*

**Around the Encampment:**

**Van Aubrey Evans:** One of Masonry’s greatest leaders has fallen. He will not only be missed in Mississippi but will be sorely missed in the South East as well as nationally. I have never seen him without a smile on his face. Johnnie Morris

The Wright & Ferguson Funeral Home is at 106 Cynthia Street, Clinton, MS. The following are the funeral arrangements for Brother Van Aubrey Evans: Visitation will be Monday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Wright & Ferguson Funeral Home in Clinton. The funeral service will be at 1:00 p.m. in the funeral home chapel and Masonic graveside services will be conducted at the Cedar Hill Cemetery in Vicksburg (sometimes called the Vicksburg City Cemetery and sometimes called the Confederate Cemetery). As you are coming in to Vicksburg on I-20, take the Clay Street exit and turn right on Mission 66 and go to the end of the road. There will not be a formal funeral procession from Clinton to Vicksburg. Please keep Linda and the rest of the family in your prayers. Mississippi Masonry has suffered a tremendous loss. With Fraternal Regard, Micky McMahan

**Burke Johnson:** It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Burke Johnson, father of Sir Knight Michael Burke Johnson, Right Eminent Grand Captain General, on Sunday, June 15, 2014. The services for Sir Knight Johnson’s father have been set for Friday June 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at the Davis Funeral Home in Riverton, WY. Sir Knight Mike’s mailing address is PO Box 575, Crowheart, WY 82512.

**Herbert H. Harford, Sr.:** I have just learned of the death of Companion and Sir Knight Herbert H. Harford, Sr. on June 10, 2015 in Ascutney, Vermont. Companion and Sir Knight Harford served the Grand Chapter of Vermont as Most Excellent Grand High Priest in 1999, the Grand Council of Vermont as Most Illustrious Grand Master in 1998 and the Grand Commandery of Vermont as Right Eminent Grand Commander in 1985. “May the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon our Brother, Companion and Sir Knight Herbie and his family now and forever more” With great sadness, Bruce

*“Individual commitment to a group effort - that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work.”— Vince Lombardi*

## 147th Indiana Council of Deliberation a success!



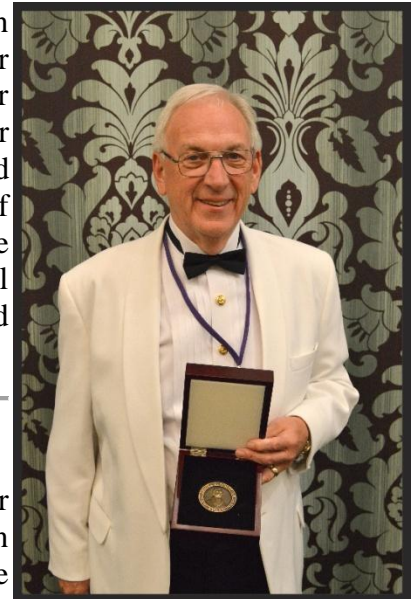
Over 200 attendees joined us in Michigan City at the Blue Chip Casino & Resort for the 147th Indiana Council of Deliberation. We would like to thank each of you for another successful session. In addition to our business meeting on Saturday, June 21st, there were several break-out meetings for each of the officer lines, a Ritual & Degrees update by Ill. Jim Tungate, 33°, Future Direction of the Scottish Rite by Ill. Keith Hoskins, 33°, and a forum on the upcoming Grand Lodge 'Discover Freemasonry' expo as presented by Brother George Burkley. These sessions were very informative and enjoyable. Our thanks to each of the presenters. Our annual session was then concluded by our traditional formal dinner banquet.

The 148th Indiana Council of Deliberation will be a business-only meeting in June 2015 with a full session again in June 2016 with further details to be posted soon. Our thanks again to all those that were able to join us and for sharing your time, talents, friendship, and Brotherhood.

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### Ill. John F. Surbeck, 33° Awarded Daniel D. Tompkins Medal

During the awards presentations segment of the annual banquet, Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. John Wm. McNaughton, 33°, called upon Ill. Brother Surbeck to approach the podium. It was at that time that Commander McNaughton presented a small wooden box within containing a rather unique and rare medal, the Daniel D. Tompkins Award for Distinguished Service. Daniel D. Tompkins was our first Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction and this is the sixth such medal to be presented in its history and the third awarded to a living recipient. We are all extremely proud of Ill. Brother Surbeck for his service to Freemasonry and our Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.



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### Ill. Michael D. Borst, 33° Awarded Indiana Council of Deliberation Medal of Honor



Ill. Gail N. Kemp, 33°, Deputy for Indiana had the opportunity to call upon Ill. Michael D. Borst, Valley of Terre Haute, and presented him with the Indiana Council of Deliberation Medal of Honor in recognition of his years of service to the Valley of Terre Haute, Indiana Council of Deliberation, and Freemasonry. Ill. Brother Borst is the 22nd recipient of this honor in the State of Indiana. We are extremely proud of our Brother and thankful for all that he has done for our Craft.

## Meritorious Service Awards

The following Brethren were nominated to receive the 2012 Meritorious Service award to be presented at the 2014 Indiana Council of Deliberation:

### Valley of Evansville

Rex A. Goodman  
David E. Schroeder

### Valley of Fort Wayne

William W. Bryan  
Steve Cowan  
Ronald V. Sullins  
Stephen G. Tegtmeier

### Valley of Indianapolis

Stephen P. Cooper  
G. Christian Pedersen  
W. Dirk Rader  
Floyd G. Sendmeyer

### Valley of South Bend

Ralph T. Bennett  
Bobby J. Cole  
Jon E. Smith  
William P. Stamper

### Valley of Terre Haute

Douglas J. Ladson



We also would like to congratulate the following Brothers for being nominated to receive the 2014 Meritorious Service Award at the 2016 Indiana Council of Deliberation:

### Valley of Evansville

Ronald W. Elmer  
Estel W. McCarty

### Valley of Fort Wayne

James B. Coleman  
Richard B. Elser  
Dewey D. Senger  
Donald Shilts

### Valley of Indianapolis

Randall K Storm  
Lee W. Langlotz



To all of our recipients and nominees, we congratulate you and say thank you for your unending and devoted service to our Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. Through blood, sweat, and tears, this honor is deservedly yours!

## Indianapolis Awarded 2013-2014 Valley of the Year



Deputy Kemp had the honor and pleasure of presenting the 2013-2014 Valley of the Year Award to the Valley of Indianapolis. This was a well deserved honor in recognition of their continuing efforts to improve and expand upon membership development, programs, and events. Congratulations Valley of Indianapolis!

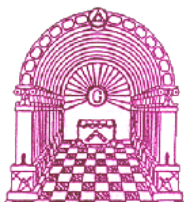
## Indiana COD Website - Medals & Awards

A screenshot of the website for the Indiana Council of Deliberation, Scottish Rite of Freemasonry. The top navigation bar includes links for HOME, ABOUT US, COD NEWS, OUR VALLEYS, BECOME A 32° MASON, SUPREME COUNCIL, NMJ, and CONTACT US. A dropdown menu is open under 'ABOUT US', showing options for MEETINGS, MEDALS &amp; AWARDS (highlighted in yellow), INDIANA COD - LOCATIONS, and HELD. The main header features the text 'SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY' and 'INDIANA COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION'. Below the header, there is a section for 'UPCOMING EVENTS' with details for an event on August 23, 2014, at Lucas Oil Stadium. A red arrow points to the 'MEDALS &amp; AWARDS' tab in the dropdown menu. Below the arrow, there is a graphic titled 'INDIANA COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENTS' with a red arrow pointing to a tab that says 'Indiana Council of Deliberation Medal of Honor Recipients'.

If you haven't had the opportunity to do so, please stop by our newly redesigned website at [www.aasr-in.org](http://www.aasr-in.org). We have tried to include useful news and information on things happening in our state. Last month we continued this featured section and discussed the news slider. This month we are going to focus in on a NEW addition to our site, Medals & Awards. Have you ever wondered what some these prestigious awards look like or wondered who may have received them in the past? We now have this information readily available to you! You will find this page in the drop down menu for "About Us." Click on the Medals & Awards tab and you will see a column of graphics including: Indiana Council of Deliberation Medal of Honor, Daniel D. Tompkins Medal, and even the (John James Joseph) Gourgas Medal. This will soon also include the Supreme Council Medal of Honor, Sovereign Grand Commander's Medal for Distinguished Service, and Medal for Masonic Service. The red arrow in the above graphic, points to an expanding tab. If you click on that tab, a table will open up and show you previous Hoosier recipients.

It is truly inspiring and remarkable to see the names of great men and Masons that have worked diligently in their personal, professional, and fraternal careers be recognized for their service to our Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite and our beloved Craft. Stay tuned, we are just getting warmed up and will have additional content in the coming months!





**GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF INDIANA  
39th ANNUAL CRYPT REDEDICATION AND PILGRIMAGE**

**Friday, July 18th;**

- Hospitality Ohio Rooms # 1 & 2 open at 8:00 AM (ET). Entertainment for ladies
- Golf Outing at New Salisbury Golf Course, 1320 Old State Rd. 64, New Salisbury, IN — 10:00 AM EST, \$35 per person.
- For golf registration contact: Terry Smith, 4240 E. Whiskey Run Rd., Georgetown, IN 47122, (812-366-3361) or Lloyd Smith, 7300 Greenbrier Rd., Georgetown, IN 47122, Phone: (812) 366-3546

**Saturday, July 19**

- 9:00 AM Annual Rededication of the Cryptic Shrine at Indiana Council No. 1, 805 E Market St. New Albany
- 10:30 AM Seminar on Cryptic Masonry.
- 12:15 PM Leave hotel for lunch cruise, Ohio Riverboat Excursion on the CQ Princess 5700 Captains Quarters Road, Harrods Creek, Kentucky; Boarding time 1:00 PM cruise begins 1:30 PM \$35.00 per person.
- Children **12 & UNDER** Pizza Party on the boat—NO CHARGE
- 5:00 PM – Grand Council summer meeting
- Dinner on your own
- 8:00 PM Royal Order of Zanzibar and Zanzibar Ladies orders to be conferred
- Headquarters Hotel — **Best Western** \$89.95 per night (same hotel, different name) 411 W. Spring St., New Albany, IN 47150 (812) 945-2771

Cut-off dates for hotel reservations **June 30, 2014**

**Group: Grand Council Cryptic Masons, make reservations directly with the hotel.**

Please make Riverboat Cruise reservations by **July 1, 2014**

Payment **MUST** accompany Riverboat Cruise reservations. Payable to: **Grand Council Cryptic Masons**

For Boat Trip send reservations to: James R. Adamson, 1300 Hwy 64 NE, New Salisbury, IN 47161

Home: 812-347-3311 Cell: 502-744-3038

Name \_\_\_\_\_ #Reservations: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Total amt enclosed @ \$35 person \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children to attend Pizza Party (Age 12 & under) \_\_\_\_\_