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**Grand Commandery Knights Templar
Of Indiana**
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**Indiana Sir Knights at the George Washington Masonic Memorial
2017 Easter Trip, Washington, D.C. – April 16th, 2017**

May Birthdays:

Lady Charlotte, wife of Harley Eggers, Asst. Rec. 63, 5/1
Lady Lillian Bridenhager, widow of Charles Bridenhager, 6, 5/2
Richard A. Kroemer, 4, 5/3
Lady Jaqueline Gamblin, wife of Christopher Gamblin, Aide to the GC 5/3
Lady Beverly Ellis, wife of Ron Ellis, KCT, PGC, GIG, 5/4
Lady Sherry, wife of Steven J. Barton, KCT, PGC, PDC, 5/4
Thomas Johnson, GStdBr, 5/7
Thomas W. Harper, Rec. 62, 5/4
Charles A. Smelser, DBC 3, 5/7
Jeffrey C. Reich, Rec. 57, 5/8
Steve McKim, 14, 5/8
Lady Jean, widow of James N. Butler, GPE, 5/12
James Coleman, PGHP, 4, 5/16
James R. Dillman, 1, 5/17
Lady Katie Newman, widow of Herbert Newman, KCT, PGC, 5/17
John T. Fleming, 39, 5/17
Lady Jean, wife of Ronald D. Simpson, KCT, PGC, 5/18
Lin Tornese, 16, 5/18
Thomas L. Bartelt, Rec. 64, 5/19
Lady Pamela, wife of Dennis H. Rigsby, Rec. 8, 5/19
Charles P. King, GPE. 42, 5/20
Lady Cindy Rider, Fiancé of Edward L. Sebring, GPE, 5/22
Lady Brenda, wife of Charles L. Combi, Rec. 28, 5/22
Lady Ann Tornese, wife of Lin Tornese, 16, 5/22
Jeffery A. Ping, 67, 5/23
Stephen P. Kroman, 14, 5/25
Mark A. Kester, Sr., Rec. 16, 5/27
Robert Kumpfer, 28, 5/29
David L. Jenkins, 16, 5/29
Randal P. Ellington, GPE, GSwdBr 5/31
Lady Cindy Rees, wife of Marvin L. Rees, GO, 5/31

May Anniversaries:

Larry & Rita Gray, 5/4
Duane & Mary Stucker, 5/8
Clay & Norma Stahlka, 5/9
Dustin & Marna Derickson, 5/11
Ronald & Jean Simpson, 5/18
Philip & Connie Whisner, 5/22
Joseph & Jane Hedges, 5/22
Charles & Karen Johnson, 5/25
Franklin & Betty Boner, 5/27
David & Donna Miller, 5/31



2017/18 Indiana Grand Commandery Officers

Lawrence J. Williams, Right Eminent Grand Commander

Terry Kehrer, Deputy Grand Commander

Michael Robbins, Grand Generalissimo

Donnie Robinette, Grand Captain General

Robert Fraizer, KCT, PGC, Grand Treasurer

George Ingles, KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder

David Cincoski, Grand Prelate

Edward Fodrea, Grand Senior Warden

Phil Whisner, Grand Junior Warden

Tom Johnson, Grand Standard Bearer

Randal Ellington, GPE, Grand Sword Bearer

Kevin Spencer, Grand Warder

Randy Spaulding, Grand Sentinel

Randy Darling, Grand Marshal

Marvin Rees, Grand Organist

James L. Dove, KCT, PGC, Grand Inspector General

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.

Web Sites:

Indiana KT Web Site: <http://www.indianaknightstemplar.com/>

National Information: <http://www.yorkrite.org/>

Evansville York Rite: <http://www.evansvilleYorkrite.org/>

Shelby County York Rite: <http://www.shelbyYorkrite.org>

Indiana Grand Commandery on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/INGrandCommandery/>

Sickness & Distress:

Duane Stucker, PGC & Lady Mary:

Sir Knight Duane Stucker and Lady Mary has moved back from Nebraska to the Indiana Masonic Home in Franklin. Mail can be sent to 690 S. State Street, Franklin, Indiana, 46131.

Phoenix Bridegroom's Journey – Friends & Family of Phoenix Bridegroom Facebook Site:

April 23rd, 2017:



Phoenix started to feel a bit sickly last night and worried us when her temp was hanging out at 99.9... but the temp went back down to normal and today she has just been taking it easy watching TV all day. We are hoping the fever will stay away again tonight... thanks for your continued prayers!

Claudine Ellington, mother of Randal Ellington, GPE:

UPDATE: 04/29/2017: “Mom” Ellington has been having some rough days lately. Family has decided to move her to a hospice care facility in Columbus, Indiana. She will receive 24-hour personal care here and continued pain medication monitoring.

UPDATE 04/01/2017: “Mom” Ellington continues to receive care from family members with occasional visits from a hospice nurse service. She has good and bad days, like anyone in her medical condition, but is happy to be at home still watching basketball & baseball games. Pain management continues to be an issue, but she is generally in good spirits.

11/29/2016 “Mom” Claudine Ellington, mother of SK Randal Ellington, GPE, is currently fighting a major illness and needs prayers of uplifting. Last month, she was diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer and small cell carcinoma throughout her body. This was discovered after she went to her physician for a mild back ache. She has decided not to have any major medical intervention besides comfort therapies. SK Randy and his siblings are currently providing 24 care for their mother at her home, as she has declined in condition rapidly.

“Mom” Ellington has been a part of the Shelby County Masonic Community for a number of years. Several of us have known her so long that we’ve always called her “Mom”, and I even had to ask several people ‘what is her real name?’ Please keep the Ellington Family in your prayers during this difficult holiday season for the family.

Indiana Deaths:

NONE REPORTED FOR PUBLICATION

Contact Information & Red Book Directory Changes:

Duane Stucker, PGC & Lady Mary
Compass Park/Indiana Masonic Home
690 S. State Street
Franklin, Indiana 46131

Upcoming and Important Dates:

Saturday, May 13th, 2017 **Battalion Commander/Deputy Battalion Commander Training**
9:00am Indiana Freemasons Hall, 525 Illinois Street, Indianapolis
Contact: Larry Williams, GC – 219.921.9174

Tues/Wed. May 16-17, 2017 **Annual Communication – Grand Lodge of Indiana**
7:00am Scottish Rite Cathedral – Indianapolis

Sat. May 27th, 2017 **Green County Commandery – New Charter Constitution**
10:00am 69 S. Main Street, Linton, Indiana 47441
Contact: Joel Tennant – 616.635.0293

Sat. June 3rd, 2017
TBA

RAM Chapter One Day Class
Prather York Rite, 7502 E. 56th Street, Indianapolis
Registration: www.pratheryorkrite.org
Contact: Brian Lewis, blewis717@gmail.com

Sun. Jun. 4th, 2017
12:00pm Tee Time

Holy Land Pilgrimage Golf Outing Fund Raiser
Elks Country Club, 2100 US Highway 27 South, Richmond, IN 47374
Contact: Bob Frazer, PGC, GT - bobnancyfrazer@aol.com

Sat, July 15th, 2017
9:00am

Grand Council CM Crypt Rededication
New Albany Masonic Temple, 805 E Market Street, New Albany
Info & Registration: www.INGCCM.org

Sat. July 29th, 2017
TBA

LaPorte Commandery #12 150th Anniversary Celebration
Details TBA

PICTURES? NEWS? PLEASE SEND THEM TO SK DONNIE ROBINETTE AT DONNIE.ROBINETTE@GMAIL.COM FOR PUBLICATION IN FUTURE MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS! WE WANT TO HEAR WHAT YOU ARE DOING AT YOUR COMMANDERY. NO EVENT IS TOO BIG OR SMALL!

INDIANA DRILL CORPS COMPETITION RESULTS

Class "C" Drill

1st Place – Raper Commandery #1 (899)

2nd Place – Greenfield Commandery #39 (871)

Class "D" Drill

1st Place – Baldwin Commandery #2 (933)



RAPER COMMANDERY #1 – CLASS “C” DRILL CORPS



GREENFIELD COMMANDERY #39 – CLASS “C” DRILL CORPS



BALDWIN COMMANDERY #2 – CLASS “D” DRILL CORPS





Announcing the Crusader's Cross

Knights Templar Eye Foundation
Monday, April 24, 2017

The Knight Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. has a number of donation programs most with associated recognition programs. One of our primary contribution programs is the Grand Master's Club. These are contributions of \$1,000 which can be accumulated over time. These accumulations are known as the Grand Commander's Club (\$100 each until \$1,000 is reached). Currently Grand Master's Club donors receive a plaque and a lapel pin.

Many Masons like and collect lapel pins but most of us have more than we can wear. However, except for a few state programs, there has been no way to recognize this generosity when in uniform. Now there is.

We are introducing a new award, The Crusader's Cross, to thank our donors. The Jewel comes in 5 levels, \$1,000, \$2,000, \$3000, \$4,000, and \$5,000 or above. The award can be worn on a uniform, sport coat or displayed in your home. The award jewels are displayed above.

The \$1,000 level has the single, larger cross in the center. Each additional \$1,000 is identified with an additional small cross in a quadrant until at \$5,000 or above all four quadrants are occupied to complete the emblem known as the Crusader's Cross also known as the Cross of Jerusalem.

Only the Grand Master's Club donations will count toward this award but we will also present these jewels to those who have already reached these donor levels in the past. In coming months, we will be sending jewels to these past donors as a well-deserved "thank you".

Website

<http://www.knightstemplar.org/ktef/>

Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com/notes/knights-templar-eye-foundation/announcing-the-crusaders-cross/1584262544936605/>

