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IN INDIANA**



**PROCEEDINGS OF  
THE 164<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONCLAVE  
OF THE  
GRAND COMMANDERY OF INDIANA**

*HELD IN THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE  
APRIL 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*

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**Grand Commandery  
Knights Templar  
of Indiana**

**ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FOURTH  
ANNUAL CONCLAVE**

**Held at Noblesville  
Host  
LAPORTE COMMANDERY No. 12,**

**April 28, 2018**

**Presiding**

**Sir Knight Lawrence J. Williams  
Right Eminent Grand Commander  
Indiana**

**Elected**

**Sir Knight Terry L. Kehrer  
New Albany Commandery No. 5**

**2019 Conclave will be held at Indianapolis, Indiana on April 28, 2019**

**New Albany Commandery No. 5 Host**

Warrant from W. B. Hubbard, General Grand Master of the General Grand Encampment, of the United States, to form a State Grand Encampment for the State of Indiana was dated at Columbus, Ohio, on April 24, 1854.

The Grand Encampment (now Commandery) for the State of Indiana was formed and organized at Indianapolis, Indiana, on May 16, 1854, by the following four Commanderies: Raper No. 1; Baldwin No. 2; Lafayette No. 3; and Fort Wayne No. 4.

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All reports contained in the Proceedings of the 163<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, were approved unless otherwise indicated or explained.

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**SIR KNIGHT DUANE LEE VAUGHT, GCT  
MOST EMINENT GRAND MASTER,  
OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT,  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**SIR KNIGHT DUANE LEE VAUGHT, GCT, PGC (IN)**  
**Most Eminent Grand Master**

Duane Lee Vaught was born in 1956 in Crawfordsville, Indiana, the first of three sons of Lloyd E Vaught and Maxine Vaught.

He was baptized and confirmed as a member of the Methodist Church. In 2000, he married Georgia Jean Nagai Goode. Sir Knight Vaught has two brothers, both residing in Indiana. Georgia has a sister, living in Atlanta, Georgia.

Duane Vaught began his professional career with a national accounting firm in its Indianapolis office, during which time he passed the CPA exam and was licensed as a Certified Public Accountant. He subsequently moved to a local accounting firm in Bloomington Indiana. He advanced in that firm to the level of partner. In 1995, he joined the firm of Stampfli Associates CPAs as Vice-President. In 2008, he became President of that firm. Although he works with individuals and many kinds of businesses, not-for-profit entities are one of his primary specialties. He served as president of his chapter of Kiwanis, is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, its Not-For-Profit practice section, Indiana State CPA Society and the Bloomington Chapter of the Institute of Management Accountants, in which last organization he served several years as Vice-president for Professional Education. Duane Vaught began his Masonic career in 1971 when he was initiated into Montgomery Chapter of the Order of DeMolay. In DeMolay, he served as Master Councilor of his Chapter, Illustrious Knight Commander of DeMolay Order of Knighthood in Indiana and two years as an appointed officer of the DeMolay State Council. He has received the DeMolay honors of Representative DeMolay, Chevalier, and Legion of Honor (Active)

Sir Knight Vaught was initiated, passed and raised a Master Mason in 1977, in his hometown of Crawfordsville, Indian. He served as Worshipful Master of Spencer Lodge No. 95 in 1993 during which year the lodge received the Grand Master's Award with Distinction. He has also served as Worshipful Master of Dwight L. Smith Lodge of Research.

From May 2002 through May 2008 he served as an officer of the Grand Lodge F&AM of Indiana, the last year of that period as Most Worshipful Grand Master. He is also the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of New York near Indiana. In 2008, he was elected to a three-year term as trustee. For five years, he also served on the Board of Directors of the Indiana Masonic Home. Vaught received the degrees of Royal Arch Masonry, Cryptic Masonry and the Orders of Chivalric Masonry on October 22, 1977 in a festival, held in Muncie, in honor of then presiding Most Eminent Grand Master, Willard M. Avery. He Served as High Priest of Crawfordsville Chapter No. 40 and Illustrious Master of Montgomery Council No. 34 in 1983.

Sir Knight Vaught served as Eminent Commander of Crawfordsville Commandery No. 25 in 1981 and 1982 and has received the Distinguished Service Award, Knight Commander of the Temple, and Knight Grand Cross of the Temple awards. He is Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of Illinois near Indiana and holds memberships in Bloomington Commandery No. 63 and St Anselm Commandery UD in Indiana. He also holds memberships in Commanderies in Ohio and Colorado. He holds honorary memberships in several other Grand Commanderies. He served ten years as an officer of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana culminating in serving as the 140th Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana in 2001 - 2002. Sir Knight Vaught is a Past Sovereign of St. Basil Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine. Past Governor of Banks of the Wabash York Rite College No. 72 and has received the Gold Honor Award and Order of

**(continuation of Biography of Duane Lee Vaught)**

the Purple Cross. He is a Past Excellent Chief of Indiana Council No. 15, Knight Masons and Past Director General of Indianapolis Preceptory, Yeomen of York. In the Allied Masonic Degrees, he is a Past Sovereign Master of St. Bernard de Clairvaux Council 256. He is a Knight Commander of the Red Branch of Eri and served over ten years as Secretary of his council.

Vaught is a Past Preceptor of St Andrew Tabernacle XXXV Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests and an officer of the Grand College. He is and officer of the Grand College of Rites. He is a member, IX degree, Knight Grand Cross of Indiana College, Masonic Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis, MSCRIF, and serves as Treasurer General of the High Council, MSRICF of the United States.

He is a member of J. Herbert Nichols and Robert A. Woods Pories of KYCH, Terre Haute Valley, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite NMJ, Royal Order of Scotland, Murat Shrine AAONMS, Sahara Grotto MOVPER, Grand College of Rites, Order of Knights Preceptor, Indiana Past Commanders Association, Goose and Tater, and Royal Order of Zanzibar. In 2005, he was crowned a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33 Degree. He is a Grand Cross of the Royal Society of Knights Occidental and an Honorary Kentucky Colonel.

Sir Knight Vaught was appointed Right Eminent Grand Captain General, Grand Encampment, and Knights Templar on August 29, 2007 by Sir Knight William Koon II, Grand Master and was elected to remain in the office of Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment at the 64th Triennial Conclave, August 2009, in Roanoke Virginia. He was advanced to Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo on November 22, 2010 following the Death of Sid C. Doris III, elected Deputy Grand Master in Alexandria VA. in August 2012 and elected Grand Master of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar in August 2015 in Buffalo NY.



**INSPECTING OFFICER  
WILLIAM JACKSON JONES, GCT  
MOST EMINENT GRAND MASTER,  
OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT,  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA 2003 - 2006**

**SIR KNIGHT WILLIAM JACKSON JONES, GCT**

William Jackson Jones was born on March 12, 1939, in Tuscola, Illinois. He went to high school in Villa Grove, Illinois, at Villa Grove High School; he went on to the University of Illinois for his B.S. in 1961, and he received his D.D.S. there in 1964. He married Lois A. Robinson at Tolono, Illinois, on December 10, 1967, and they have two children; Phillip, and Jane. Sir Knight Jones currently resides in Villa Grove, Illinois, where Sir Knight Jones has practiced Dentistry for 26 years. Sir Knight Jones has held numerous civic positions, including serving as a member of the Board of Directors of the Villa Grove Chamber of Commerce; Board of Directors, American Heart Association, Illinois Affiliate; Villa Grove Schools Citizens Consulting Committee; Board of Directors for Villa Grove Community Theater; and President, Eastern Illinois Dental Society.

Sir Knight Jones was raised in Villa Grove Lodge No. 885, Villa Grove, Illinois, in September of 1960. He has served as Worshipful Master of this Lodge. In the York Rite, he is a member of Tuscola Chapter No. 66 in Tuscola, Illinois, where he has served as High Priest. He is a member of the Order of High Priesthood. He is a member of Mattoon Council No. 10, Mattoon, Illinois, where he has been the Thrice Illustrious Master. He was created a Knight Templar on December 1, 1969, in Melita Commandery No. 37, Tuscola, Illinois, where he has served as Commander in 1972 and 1977. He is a member and Past Preceptor of Lily of the Valley Tabernacle XLVI, HRAKTP. He has been elected to the grand line of the Grand College of America, HRAKTP.

In the Grand Commandery of Illinois, he ascended the grand line, serving as Grand Commander in 1984, and was appointed Right Eminent Department Commander of the North Central Department by Grand Master Donald Hinslea Smith, August 13, 1985, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Appendant Masonic activities include membership in the Scottish Rite, N.J., the Valley of Danville, Illinois. He was coronated an Inspector General Honorary of the 33 Degree in 1985. Sir Knight Jones is a member of Ansar Temple, Springfield, Illinois, AAONMS. He belongs to the Knights of the York Cross of Honor and was recipient of the Purple Cross in 1988. He is a member of Saxa Rubra Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, and the Royal Order of Scotland. He is an Active Member of the DeMolay Legion of Honor, and a recipient of the Order of Chevalier. He is a member of the O.E.S., Knight Masons, and the Order of Amaranth.

Sir Knight William Jackson Jones, Past North Central Department Commander, was elected to the grand line of the Grand Encampment as Right Eminent Grand Captain General at the election of officers which was held at the 58th Triennial Conclave on August 20, 1991. He was installed into that office on the following day.



**SIR KNIGHT LOREN A. WINN, KCT  
EAST CENTRAL DEPARTMENT COMMANDER  
GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE USA**

**SIR KNIGHT LOREN A. WINN, KCT, PGC  
EAST CENTRAL DEPARTMENT COMMANDER  
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Loren A. Winn was born March 29, 1952 in Detroit, Michigan and was educated in the South Redford Michigan school system. He graduated from Michigan State University in 1974 with Degrees in Education and Industrial Engineering, he also went on to earn post graduate degrees and attended Eastern Michigan University. He then went on to become a teacher of architecture and automotive mechanics. He also worked as an electrical engineer and finished his last 25 years teaching in Special Education. Loren is an Eagle Scout and during his evenings was very active as a Boy Scout Leader and Taught Tae Kwon Do Karate with his wife Gail who is also a Black Belt Master. Sir Knight Winn and his lady of 43 years, Gail, are the parents of one son, Brian and a Granddaughter Anastasia.

Sir Knight Winn was raised a Master Mason in Livingston Lodge No 76 and belongs to Olive Lodge and Civil War Lodge of Research AF&AM. He served as Master in 2010. He is a Past High Priest of Livingston RAM and Thrice Illustrious Master Livingston R&SM. Sir Knight Winn was knighted in Howell Commandery No 28 and served as Commander in 2002. He is a Past Grand Commander of Michigan 2010 and served as Grand Recorder. He received the KCT in 2008. SK Winn is a 33rd Degree, MSA, member of the Detroit Valley AASR, serving as Most Wise Master, Commander and Chief, Board of Directors, Learning Center Board, and local club president. He is a member and Past Governor of King Athelstan York Rite College, Officer of Michigan Priory No 22, member of St. Clement Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine, member of Michigan College MSRICF, member and Past Sovereign Master of Thistle & Rose Council No. 27 AMD, member and officer of Gate of the Tabernacle No. LXV HRAKTP, member Yeoman of York Angola, member and Past Patron of Pinckney Chapter 145 Order of the Eastern Star.

Sir Knight Winn was elected for 10 years as a Trustee of Hamburg Township, Michigan and on their Planning Commission. He also served for years as local President of Chelsea Education Association and as President of Lakelands Golf & C.C.

S.K. Winn was appointed as East Central Department Commander by Sir Knight Duane L. Vaught, Most Eminent Grand Master at the 66th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment on August 12, 2015 in Buffalo, N. Y.

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**SIR KNIGHT LAWRENCE J. WILLIAMS  
RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER 2017-18  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF INDIANA**

**LAWRENCE J. WILLIAMS  
GRAND COMMANDER  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**

Lawrence was born September 1953 to James L. Williams and Joanne C. (LaBarr) Williams in Gary, Indiana. He has three younger brothers, Terry who lives in Hobart, IN, Pat who lives in Crosby, TX, and David who lives Francisville, IN. In 1973, he married Claire L. Naylor. They have two children, Timothy and Brooke and one granddaughter.

Larry graduated from Crown Point High School located in Crown Point, Indiana in 1972. After graduation, he worked at Bethlehem Steel, Burns Harbor Plant on the plant fire department as an Emergency Medical Technician and Firefighter. In November of 1984 his job was contracted out to "Burns International" with whom he worked as a firefighter/EMT until he was re-hired by Bethlehem Steel in May of 1990. While working, he graduated from Indiana Vocational Technical College with an Associate's Degree in Applied Fire Science in 1985.

From 1990 to 1995, he worked various production jobs as a Laborer in the Sintering Plant to a Line Inspector in the Cold Mill. From 1995 to 2016 he was employed as a Mechanical Millwright in the 80s Hot Strip Mill. At the time of his retirement he was employed by "Arcelor Mittal, Burns Harbor Plant" who bought out Bethlehem Steel. He retired in February of 2016.

Larry was also member of the Town of Porter, Volunteer Fire Department for 20 years. He served not only as a firefighter but also as State Certified Emergency Medical Technician, Fire Scene Safety Officer, State Certified Training Officer and State Certified Fire Scene Investigator. He was the Deputy Fire Chief when he retired from the Fire Department in 1997.

He petitioned Calumet Lodge #379 located in Chesterton, Indiana for the Degrees of Freemasonry and received his Entered Apprentice in March 2000, his Fellow Craft in April 2000 and was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in June of 2000, serving as Worshipful Master in 2006. He has served the Lodge as Trustee and is currently serving as Treasurer of his Lodge.

He joined the Scottish Rite, South Bend Valley in 2001 and is a member the "Knights of St. Andrew."

He petitioned Michigan City "York Rite Bodies" for Membership in 2004. Serving as Thrice Illustrious Master of Michigan City Council #56 in 2007, Eminent Commander of Michigan City Commandery #30, in 2008 and High Priest in Michigan City Chapter #25 in 2009. Followed by become a member of the Thrice Illustrious Master Association in 2008, the Past Commanders Association in 2009 and the High Priest Association 2010.

**Other Appendant Bodies:**

Elected to membership in the Yeoman of York Preceptory #1, in 2006 and served as Director General in 2014 and is currently the Recorder / Treasurer.

A Charter member of Valparaiso "Allied Masonic Degrees, Council #470" in 2009. Served as Sovereign Master in 2011 and serving as Treasurer from 2012 to Present.

He was invited to become a member of Knight York Cross of Honor, J. Herbert Nichols Priory #76 in 2010.

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He was elected to membership in Northwest Indiana York Rite College #73, in 2008 following his initiation he was elected as Treasurer until he was appointed to the progressive line where he served as Governor in 2015, receiving the Order of the Purple Cross in Louisville, KY that year. In 2016, he was again elected and is serving as Treasurer.

In 2013, he was installed a member of St. Basil Conclave Red Cross of Constantine and is currently serving in that progressive line.

He became a Charter member of the “Firinne Council #115” of “Knight Masons” located in Chesterton, IN. in 2014, where he served as its first “Excellent Chief” and is currently serving as their Treasurer.

He was ordained a Knight Priest in Gennsaret Tabernacle XVII in the fall of 2016.

**Grand Commandery:**

He was appointed as a Deputy Battalion Commander for Battalion No. 1 serving from 2007 to 2010, when he was appointed in the Grand Commandery line by Sir Knight James L. Dove, KCT, PGC and has served on numerous committees and as a line officer until being elected as Grand Commander on April 28, 2017 at the One Hundred and Sixty-Third Annual Conclave of this Grand Commandery.

*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*



**Officers for the Year 2017 - 2018**

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**INDIANA GRAND COMMANDERY  
BATTALION STRUCTURE 2017 – 2018**

\* indicates Cap and Mantel Commandery

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**Thomas D. Johnson**

**Battalion #1**

LaPorte - 12  
South Bend - 13  
Valparaiso - 28  
Elkhart - 31  
E. H. Gary - 57

**Battalion Commander**

**Edward E. Fodrea**

**Battalion #2**

Fort Wayne - 4  
Apollo - 19  
Huntington - 35  
Angola - 45

**Battalion Commander**

**Randy Spaulding**

**Battalion #3**

Grant County – 21  
Anderson - 32  
Kokomo – 36  
Noblesville - 61

**Battalion Commander**

**Randal Ellington**

**Battalion #4**

Lafayette - 3  
Greencastle - 11  
Terre Haute – 16  
Crawfordsville - 25  
\*Frankfort - 29

**Battalion Commander**

**Philip Whisner**

**Battalion #5**

Raper - 1  
\*Johnson County 23  
Prather – 62  
\*W.G. Bray - 65  
\*H.E. Lackey - 67

**Battalion Commander**

**Donnie Robinette**

**Battalion #6**

Baldwin - 2  
\*Connersville - 6  
\*Richmond - 8  
Greenfield - 39

**Battalion Commander**

**Michael F. Robbins**

**Battalion #7**

New Albany – 5  
Columbus - 14  
\*Bedford - 42  
\*Bloomington - 63

**Battalion Commander**

**Kevin M. Spencer**

**Battalion #8**

LaValette – 15  
\*Vincennes – 20  
Wright - 64  
Greene Cty - 68

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**SIR KNIGHT TERRY L. KEHRER  
RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER ELECT 2018-19  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE STATE OF INDIANA**

**TERRY LEE KEHRER  
GRAND COMMANDER ELECT  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**

Terry was born on September 13, 1941 in Milltown, Indiana to George Leroy Kehrer, Jr. and Evelyn Eunice (Heidorn) Kehrer. He has one brother, Samuel Leroy Kehrer. He attended Milltown Public School and graduated Valedictorian of his class in 1959. He attended Purdue University and received a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from Purdue University in 1964. He then attended Naval Reserve Officer Candidate School in Newport Rhode Island and was commissioned Ensign in the US Naval Reserve. He was assigned as a Line Officer to the Weapons Department aboard the USS America CVA 66 and qualified as an Officer of the Deck in port and underway. After leaving the Navy in 1967, He was employed as an Electrical Engineer at the Naval Ordnance Station in Louisville, Kentucky and worked there for 27 years attaining the position of Supervisory Engineer. He received a Master of Engineering with a Specialty in Engineering Management from The University of Louisville in 1982. After retiring from the Naval Ordnance Station in 1994, he and his wife Wanda and operated Rainbow Real Estate in Georgetown, Indiana from 1983 to the present. He married Wanda Diane Funkhouser on December 7, 1968. They have two children: Darren Lee (wife Nancy) and Brian Lee (wife Lauren). They also now have two grandchildren: Carson Philip and Colin Lee. They belong to Tunnel Hill Christian Church, Georgetown, Indiana. Terry is an Elder in the Church. His hobbies and activities include Amateur Radio (WB9UTE), fishing, camping, model trains, and music (keyboard).

**Free and Accepted Masons of Indiana**

Petitioned in March of 1969. Initiated as an Entered Apprentice, passed to a Fellow Craft and then raised to the **Sublime Degree of a Master Mason** on May 23, 1969. Served as Master of **Georgetown No. 480 F&AM** in 1974, 1980, 2013 and 2014. Served as Chaplin in 2015-16-17. Currently serving as Chaplin.

**York Rite**

Joined the **New Albany York Rite** in 1995 Was exalted Royal Arch Mason in 1995, as a Select Master in 1995, and **Knighted as a Knight Templar** in 1995. Served as High Priest of New Albany Chapter No. 17 in 2001, 2006, 2007. Served as Illustrious Master of Indiana Council No. 1 in 2002 and 2003. Served as Commander of New Albany Commandery No 5 in 2000 and 2004. Served as Treasurer of all bodies 2013-2016. Received the Chapter Distinguished Companion Award in 2008 and the Commandery Distinguished Service Award in 2000. Currently serving as Guard in the Chapter, and Steward in the Council

**Grand Chapter**

Royal Arch Deputy in 2002-2003. Received the High Priest of the Year Award in 2001. Grand Chapter Representative to Brazil.

**Grand Commandery**

Served as a Deputy Battalion Commandery in 2001, 2002, and 2003. Appointed to the **Indiana Grand Commandery** Line as Grand Sentinel in 2010 and progressing through the Grand Line, was elected Grand Junior Warden in 2013, Grand Senior Warden in 2014, Grand Captain General in 2015, Grand Generalissimo in 2016. Currently serving as the **Deputy Grand Commander** and as the Representative to North Carolina Grand Commandery.

**Yeomen of York**

Joined the **New Albany Yeomen of York Preceptory No. 7** in 2000 and progressed to the office of Knight Director General of Indiana in 2013. Currently serving as Recorder of New Albany Yeomen of York Preceptory No. 7

**Grand Yeomen of York**

Appointed to Grand Line in 2015. Elected as Grand Director General of the **Indiana Grand Yeomen of York** in 2017 and currently serving in this office.

**York Rite College**

Received the Order of Knight of York in the **Marvin L. Isley York Rite College No. 129** in 1999. Joined the **Corydon York Rite College No. 207** in 2011 and progressed through the line to serve as Governor in 2016-17 and received the Order of the Purple Cross in 2017.

**Priory**

Joined the **Robert A. Woods Priory No. 62** in 2003 and received the Knight of the York Cross of Honor.

**Allied Masonic Degrees**

Received the **Allied Masonic Degrees through the Constitutional Elm 471** in 2013 at Corydon, Indiana.

**Royal Arch Knight Templar Priest**

Received the Holy **Royal Arch Knight Templar Priest through St Andrews No. XXXV** in 2012.

**Scottish Rite**

Became a **32 Degree Mason through the Valley of Evansville AASR NMJ**, Indiana in 1997. Belong to the **Kosair Shriners** in Louisville, Ky., and the Tri-County Shrine Club. In 2016, joined the new Valley in Corydon, In., **Valley of George Rogers Clark**, Corydon, Indiana and currently serving as Executive Secretary of the Valley of George Rogers Clark.

**Eastern Star**

Member of **Order of Eastern Star, Old Capital No. 467**.

*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*  
**2017-2018 Grand Officers**



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**OFFICIAL PROGRAM  
164<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONCLAVE  
GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**



**Lawrence J. Williams, Right Eminent Grand Commander and his lady Claire  
invite you to attend the  
164<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave of Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana  
April 27-28th, 2018  
Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center  
Exit 210 I69  
Noblesville, IN 47306**

**164<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Indiana  
Schedule of Events, Menu Reservations and Hotel Information**

*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*

**Friday, April 27, 2018**

- 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Grand Commandery Officer / Jurisprudence – “Board Room”  
4:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Devine Service – Waters “E”  
7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Grand Commandery Banquet – Creekside Ball Room

**Saturday, April 28, 2018**

- 7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Past Commander’s Association – Stony Creek  
7:00 – 10:30 a.m. Registration – Outside Waters “E”  
7:00 – 8:30 a.m. - Distinguished Guest – Creekside “C”  
8:00 – 11:45 a.m. – Grand Commandery Conclave – Waters “E”  
10:00 – 12:00 a.m. Lady’s Program – “Board Room”  
12:00 – 1:30 p.m. – Lady’s Lunch – Creek Side “A”  
12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Sir Knight’s Lunch – Creek Side “C”  
1:00 – 2:30 p.m. – Grand Commandery Conclave – Waters “E”  
3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Grand Commandery Installation – Waters “E”  
4:00 – 5:30 p.m. Grand Commandery Pictures – Waters “E”  
7:00 – 9:00 p.m. York Rite Banquet – Creekside Ball Room

**Hotel Manager’s Hospitality**

5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Each Day – Hotel Lobby

**York Rite Hospitality Room**

Thursday 3:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday 7:00 – 11:00 p.m.

Closed ½ hour before and after meals and Lady’s Program.

Room No. 709

**Hotel Reservations Information**

You may make reservations directly with the Embassy Suites by calling [1-800-HILTONS \(1-800-445-8667\)](tel:1-800-HILTONS) A block of rooms is available at a nightly rate of \$129.00 plus tax (single or double occupancy) “Masonic Grand York Rite Session.” code **HFW1-AV5J3Y** or going to the Web site <http://www.indianaknightstemplar.com/> Lodging reservations must be made by **March 10, 2018** to secure the special room rate. **Make your reservations NOW. You can cancel up to 72 hours prior to your check-in time. DO NOT CALL THE HOTEL DIRECT AT THEIR 317 NUMBER.**

*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*  
**PROCEEDINGS**  
**of the**  
**One Hundred Sixty-Third Annual Conclave of the**  
**Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana**

The 164<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana, was held at the Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center, Noblesville, Indiana on April 28, 2018. The Sir Knights of LaPorte Commandery No. 12, the Commandery of the Right Eminent Grand Commander, served as hosts for the Conclave.

On Friday morning, the Sir Knights of LaPorte Commandery No. 12 opened their Commandery. The lines were formed, under the direction of S. K. Randy Darling. Sir Knight Lawrence J. Williams, Right Eminent Grand Commander and his Officers were received by LaPorte Commandery. The Grand Commander then introduced his officers as listed below:

V. E. Deputy Grand Commander	Terry L. Kehrer
Grand Generalissimo	Michael F. Robbins
Grand Captain General	Donnie A. Robinette
Grand Treasurer	Bobby J. Frazer, KCT, PGC
Grand Recorder	George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC
Grand Senior Warden	Edward E. Fodrea
Grand Junior Warden	Phillip D. Whisner
Grand Prelate	David Conciski
Grand Marshal	Randy J. Darling
Grand Standard Bearer	Thomas D. Johnson
Grand Sword Bearer	Randal P. Ellington
Grand Warder	Randy W. Spaulding
Grand Sentinel	Dion Diakis
Grand Organist	Marvin L. Rees

The Distinguished Guests were received as follows under the direction of Sir Knight Irvin L. Bitting, KCT, PGC, The Past Grand Commanders of Indiana then assisted in the following introductions.

The Past Grand Commanders of Indiana were received and introduced. They included: Paul W. Friend, Irvin L. Bitting, Ronald L. Ellis, David M. Bertch, James L. Dove, Michael D. Ritter and James L. Bolinger.

The Grand Commander's Aide was introduced, Sir Knight Christopher Gamblin. The Deputy Grand Commander's Aide was also introduced, Sir Knight Stephen P. Kroman.

Grand Prelate Emeritus: Adam Jackson, GPE, Edward Sebring KTC, GPE, KTCH, were received and introduced.

Knight Templar Cross of Honor: Michael Anderson, KCT, KTCH, Wayne Sheets, KTC, GPE, Virgil Humphrey KTCH, Mark Baker, KTCH, Marvin Rees, KTCH, GO, were received and introduced.

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Deputy Battalion Commanders: James Iles, KCT, DBC 1, Todd Carpenter, DBC #1, Barry Clouser, DBC #3, Chris Thomas, DBC #4, Mitchell Rohrbaugh, DBC #6, Tommy Diller DBC 6, Victor DeBolle DBC #7, Phil Stroud DBC #8, were received and introduced.

Companion and Sir Knight Robert J. Frazer KTC PGC, Grand Governor, York Rite Colleges of Indiana. were received and introduced.

Companion and Sir Knight Donald D. Olvey, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons of Indiana, Steven Maxwell, REGS, Marty Evans GT PGHP, James Fairchild, GCH, Dennis Schrader, GPS, Matthew Lowe, KTCH, GRAC, Richard C. Willyard, GM 2nd Vail, Joseph Villarreal, GM 3<sup>rd</sup> Vail, Neal Ward, PGHP, were received and introduced.

Companion and Sir Knight John A. Bridegroom, Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Indiana, Right Puissant General Grand Sentinel of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons International, David Ulrich, KCT, RIDGM, Personal Representative to the Grand Master, Convent General Knights of the Knights of the York Cross of Honor. Terry Turner, RIGPCW, John C. Gray, KCT, MIPGM, GT, Charles Wood, MIPGM, GR, Sean Jones, RIGCG, David Miller, RIGCofC, James Catania RIG Steward, James Adamson PMIGM, Terry Smith, PMIGM, Christopher Wright PMIGM, Charles Boling, GL Arthur Craig, III, Arch #1, James Davis, Arch #2, Terry Bisping Arch #3, W. Keith Stiner Arch #6, Thomas Bartelt, Arch #7, Rickey Spoonmore Arch #8, Phil Stroud Arch #9, were received and introduced.

Companion and Sir Knight, Charles Combi, Past Grand Royal Patron Order of Amaranth, was received and introduced.

Companion and Sir Knight, Ronald K. Smith, MWPGM, PMEGHP, was received and introduced.

The following Officers of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Indiana were present: Ronald K. Smith, PGHP, PGM.

Visiting Grand Officers from other jurisdictions included: Robert C, Hager, KCT, GG, OH, John E. Porritt, GCG, MI were received and introduced.

The visiting Past Grand Commanders present were introduced as follows: Alfred Johnson GR, HPGC, OH, Rep. to IN, Don Trumbull, PGC, MI, William J. Smith, PGC, IL Larry Carte, PGC, KY, James Burton, PGC, WI;

Visiting Grand Commanders from other Jurisdictions were greeted as follows: Randal Partin, KCT, KY, Michael Witting, MI, Terry Wymer, KCT, OH

Companion Sir Knight, Larry E. Gray, PGHP, KCT, KTCH, Grand Secretary Emeritus, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Indiana, Past General Grand High Priest, and General Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, International, Intendant General Division of Indiana, Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders, USA, Mexico and The Philippines, Past Most Eminent Grand Preceptor, Grand College of America, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests was separately received and introduced.

Also present were the following Past Department Commanders Sir Knight Thomas Tsirimokos, PGC CT, North East Department; Sir Knights, Steven J. Barton, and Larry W. Brown, East Central Department.

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Loren A. Winn., REDC for the East Central Department of the Grand Encampment, United States of America was received.

The Inspecting Officer was Sir Knight William Jackson Jones, GCT, Most Eminent Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States of America, and Carson C. Smith, KCT, KYCH, and Grand Master's Banner Bearer for 67<sup>th</sup> Triennial.

Sir Knight and Brother Rodney A. Mann, KGC, PGC, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Indiana was received and introduced.

The Grand Commander thanked the Captain of the escort and the Sir Knights forming the lines, a hardy thank-you was given from those present. He then ordered the Captain of the Escort to dismiss the escort.

### **Preliminary Credentials Committee Report**

After the preliminary report of the Credentials Committee was called for, and a quorum was present. All Commanderies were represented. The Grand Commander then declared the Indiana Grand Commandery dully convened for the 164<sup>th</sup> Conclave.

### **Welcome Address**

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers of the Grand Commandery, fellow Eminent Commanders and Sir Knights all. On behalf of La Porte Commandery #12, it is my distinct pleasure to welcome you all to the 164<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana. We would also like the thank all the Commanderies of our state for the hospitality and support given to La Porte Commandery's very own Sir Knight Lawrence J. Williams, as he served this year's term as our Right Eminent Grand Commander. God Bless and be with you all today, and forever.

Fraternally in Christendom,

Sir Knight Joseph Villarreal,  
Eminent Commander - La Porte Commandery No. 12

### **Response**

Thank you for your welcome to the 164<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave. I am sure all Sir Knights thank you and look forward the receiving and have received the hospitality afforded us by La Porte Commandery No. 12.

Fraternally,

Terry L. Kehrer, DGC

**Grand Commander's this and that**

Turn off your cell phone or pay the price for not listening. Do all voting members have voting cards? Voting Cards will be used for all votes not requiring a secret Ballot. Elections will be at 10:35 Sharp.

**Minutes of the 163<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conclave**

Grand Commander called for the minute to be read Grand Recorder Sir Knight Ingles, arose to address the membership at the microphone. Sir Knight Barton informed him that he had gotten to the microphone first and moved that the minutes be approved as distributed and placed on the web site. The Indiana Knights Templar Web Site. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

**Jurisprudence Per-Printed Reports**

Sir Knight Barton then moved that all the preprinted reports be received and that report requiring action will be considered at the proper time. Approved. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

**Grand Commander's Allocution**

Welcome:

On behalf of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Indiana, I would like to extend a very warm and heart felt thank you for attending and welcome you to the 164<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Conclave. I would also like to welcome the Sir Knights of neighboring jurisdictions and the Representatives of the Grand Encampment as well as our other Distinguished guests of the appendant bodies. If there is anything that you need or want, let me or one of my officers know and we will do our best to accommodate you.

One of my last duties as Grand Commander is to report on my activities and decisions for the past 12 months. You will also find this report published in the printed proceedings.

Meetings:

I held six (6) meetings throughout the year as detailed below:

April 29, 2017 Executive Meeting	Columbus, IN
Discussed my plans	
Set goals for Committees	
Discussed General Orders	
Discussed Bulletins	
May 13, 2017 Battalion Commander/Deputy Battalion Commander Training	Indianapolis, IN
Reviewed Goals	
Reviewed Scoring for Opening & OotT	
June 15, 2017 Education Committee Meeting	Lafayette, IN
Discussed handling and investments of funds	
July 8, 2017 Summer Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
Reviewed my plans and goals	
Committee Reports	
Reviewed Progress	
Battalion Status Reports	

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September 10, 2017	Officers Meeting General discussion of status of Battalions	Franklin, IN
January 6, 2018	Winter Meeting Executive Meeting General Meeting Committee Reports Battalion Reports Jurisprudence Meeting Discussed St. Anselm U. D./Lawrence V. Kaminsky Commandery of Research U. D.	Indianapolis, IN

Grand Commandery Picnic:

The Grand Commandery Picnic was held on July 22<sup>nd</sup> at “Compass Park” in Franklin, IN. We had more than 25 Sir Knights and their families in attendance. We had hamburgers, hotdogs, and enjoyed some great carry in food and a good day of fellowship.

Grand Commandery Christmas Party:

Held our annual Christmas party on November 29<sup>th</sup> at the “Rainbow Girls Camp”. We had 42 in attendance to celebrate the season. The Grand Commander supplied Ham and the rest of the meal was a carry-in pot luck.

Newby/Avery:

The 119<sup>th</sup> annual Newby/Avery banquet was held on March 24<sup>th</sup> at Compass Park located in Franklin, IN. Banquet was a luncheon consisting of Roasted Pork or a Vegetarian Lasagna. There were 58 Sir Knights and their Ladies in attendance. The banquet raised over \$4,700.00 in donations for the permanent fund.

Visitations in State:

May 16, 2017	Grand Lodge Annual Communication	Indianapolis, IN
May 17, 2017	Grand Lodge Annual Communication	Indianapolis, IN
May 19, 2017	Honor Guard for S K. Benny Hinton	Dyer, IN
May 27, 2017	Constitution of Greene County Commandery #68 & Installation of Officers	Linton, IN
May 29, 2017	Memorial Day Parade	Mishawaka, IN
May 29, 2017	Honor Guard for Danial Bolinger	La Porte, IN
June 1, 2017	Amaranth Grands Session	Columbus, IN
June 4, 2017	Holy Land Golf Outing	Richmond, IN
June 9, 2017	Eastern Star Grand Session	Indianapolis, IN
June 22, 2017	Job's Daughters Grand Session	Huntington, IN
July 1, 2017	Council of Deliberation	French Lick, IN
July 15, 2017	Crypt Re-Dedication	New Albany, IN
July 22, 2017	Grand Commandery Picnic	Franklin, IN
July 29, 2017	LaPorte - Re-Dedication	La Porte, IN
July 29, 2017	LaPorte - Reception of GC	La Porte, IN
August 5, 2017	Bedford - Leadership Training	Bedford, IN
August 5, 2017	Grand Master's Reception	Indianapolis, IN
August 15, 2017	PGC - Walter Worland's Funeral Wake	Greenfield, IN
August 19, 2017	Battalion #1 Reception	La Porte, IN
August 21, 2017	Inspection - New Albany #5	New Albany, IN

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August 31, 2017	Battalion #8 Reception	Vincennes, IN
September 1, 2017	Installation of Officers, Job's Daughters Bethel #54,	Chesterton, IN
September 10, 2017	Masonic Home Festival	Franklin, IN
September 16, 2017	PM & MEM Degrees	Portage, IN
September 30, 2017	Battalion #3 Reception	Kokomo, IN
October 7, 2017	Ish Sodi Banquet	Indianapolis, IN
October 9, 2017	Valparaiso - OotT	Valparaiso, IN
October 10, 2017	Elkhart - Inspection & OotT	Elkhart, IN
October 14, 2017	Angola - Inspection & OotT	Angola, IN
October 20, 2017	Battalion #2 Reception	Fort Wayne, IN
October 21, 2017	Inspection - Fort Wayne/Huntington	Fort Wayne, IN
October 24, 2017	PGC - Paul A. Cole's Funeral Wake	Shelbyville, IN
October 28, 2017	Battalion #4 Reception	Frankfort, IN
November 4, 2017	Inspection - Bedford #42	Bedford, IN
November 4, 2017	Battalion #7 Reception	Bedford, IN
November 6, 2017	Order of the Purple Cross Dinner	Franklin, IN
November 8, 2017	Battalion #6 Reception	Connersville, IN
November 11, 2017	Veteran's Day - Compass Park	Franklin, IN
November 11, 2017	Battalion #5 Reception	Indianapolis, IN
November 13, 2017	Valparaiso - OotT	Valparaiso, IN
November 14, 2017	Inspection - Raper #1	Indianapolis, IN
November 19, 2017	Lodge Re-Dedication - Terre Haute	Terre Haute, IN
November 19, 2017	Inspection - Anderson & Noblesville	Anderson, IN
November 20, 2017	H. E. Lackey - Inspection	Indianapolis, IN
November 26, 2017	Grand Commandery - Christmas Party	Edinburgh, IN
December 9, 2017	Lodge Re-Dedication - M. L. McClelland Officer Installation	Hobert, IN
December 14, 2017	Honor Guard – S. K. Michael Gillard	Noblesville, IN
December 20, 2017	Inspection - Frankfort #29	Frankfort, IN
December 21, 2017	South Bend - Visitation	South Bend, IN
January 6, 2018	Winter Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
January 13, 2018	Founders Day	Indianapolis, IN
January 25, 2018	Order of Red Cross	LaPorte, IN
February 10, 2018	Battalion #1 Meeting	LaPorte, IN
February 17, 2018	Order of Malta	LaPorte, IN
February 21, 2018	Fort Wayne – Visitation	Fort Wayne, IN
February 22, 2018	Order of the Temple	LaPorte, IN
March 3, 2018	Tristate Festival	Angola, IN
March 10, 2018	East Central Department Meeting	Fort Wayne, IN
March 24, 2018	Newby/Avery Banquet – Compass Park	Franklin, IN
March 25, 2018	Palm Sunday Service	South Bend, IN
April 7, 2018	Grand Chapter Sessions	Nashville, IN
April 21, 2018	Drill Competition	Columbus, IN
April 27, 2018	Grand Council Sessions	Noblesville, IN

Out of State Visitations:

July 13, 2017	Grand Conclave - Illinois	Bloomington-Normal, IL
August 12, 2017	Grand Conclave - Michigan	Grand Rapids, MI
September 18, 2017	Grand Conclave - Kentucky	Lexington, KY
October 6, 2017	Grand Conclave - Ohio	Columbus, OH



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Special Deputy Commissions:

Sir Knight Irvin Bitting PGC to serve as Special Deputy at the merging of Lafayette Commandery #3 with Frankfort Commandery #29

Sir Knight Donnie Robinette Grand Captain General to serve as Special Deputy at the merging of Johnson County Commandery #23 with Baldwin Commandery #2

Appointed Sir Knight George Ingles, PGC, GR as my Personal Representative at the Funeral Services of Sir Knight Duane Stucker, Past Grand Commander

Appointed Sir Knight George Ingles, PGC, GR as my Personal Representative at the Funeral Services of Sir Knight James S. DeMond, Past Grand Commander, Past Department Commander.

Commanderies – Constituted, Closed/Merged

Constituted:

On May 27<sup>th</sup> I had the honor and privilege of Constituting a new Commandery “Greene County Commandery #68” located in Linton, IN. I also over saw the Election and had the privilege of installing the officers.

Closed/Merged:

I also unfortunately over saw the closing and merging of two Commanderies Lafayette #3 closed and merged with Frankfort #29

Johnson County #23 closed and merged with Baldwin #2

Rulings & Decisions:

1. There was a candidate who petitioned a commandery for the Orders and was not accepted. The candidate then petitioned a second commandery. (The petition was presented to the second commandery less than three years after being rejected by the first commandery.) His petition was accepted, and he was investigated, balloted and accepted. I was then asked if this was legal. Upon investigation of the Grand Encampment Constitution, I found that it was not legal and declared the election to membership invalid. This is what I based my ruling on:

**FILING OF PETITION AFTER REJECTION**

Section 186. A rejected Petitioner for the Orders, if still residing within the Jurisdiction of the Commandery petitioned, may again Petition after the expiration of Six Months, but shall not Petition any other Commandery until the expiration of Three Years after such rejection unless the consent of the Commandery by which he was rejected is given by unanimous ballot.

Unanimous consent was asked that the candidate be allowed to petition the second commandery. This consent was given by the first Commandery. The petition was resubmitted and re-balloted with favorable results.

2. Terre Haute Commandery #16 was placed on Probation for Non-compliance of General Order #1. Probation was lifted on February 3, 2018 after coming in compliance with the General Order.

Bylaws:

I approved three (3) Bylaw changes this past year:

Baldwin #2 – Dues Change

Frankfort #29 – Dues Change

Elkhart #31 – Change in Meeting Dates

50 Year Awards:

11 of our members received their Awards of Gold.

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See Grand Recorder's Report for details

Grand Representatives:

I am pleased to appoint the following Sir Knights as Grand Representatives to the following Jurisdictions:

- Sir Knight Jack Wallace – West Virginia
- Sir Knight Bobby Roberts – New Mexico
- Sir Knight Michael Robbins – Mississippi
- Sir Knight Randy Spaulding – Connecticut

Instructional – Leadership:

The instructional this year was for Leadership training. I ask John Palmer, from the Grand Encampment if he would conduct the “Emerging Leadership” program as taught at the Department Meetings. He agreed, and we setup three (3) dates in August in three different areas of the state. My goal was to have the Generalissimo, Captain General and the Senior and Junior Wardens from each Commandery attend. This goal was not met, however we had 43 Sir Knights attend which was 30% of my goal.

At the East Central Department Meeting 45 Sir Knights from Indiana took part in either the First, Second or Third levels of the Leadership Training.

I want to thank the Sir Knights for taking the time to participate in this worthwhile program. I hope that you will use what you have learned not only within your respective York Rite bodies but also within your personal lives as well.

Recommendations:

1. I recommend that the Grand Commandery continue to support the youth groups of the Order of DeMolay, Rainbow Girls and Job's Daughters. This support should be in the form of both financial and visitations and participation with the local groups.
2. That the Committee on “Membership/Inactive Participation”, do an exit interview/survey with those who have recently demitted or have been suspended to find out why they are leaving.
3. Create a “Monitor” for the Commandery that explains the history of the Order and explain some of what is symbolized in the Orders for the continued education of our membership.
4. Support the Commandery of Research.
5. That the R. Frank Williams Award be continued.
6. Continue to hold Instructionals and Receptions on a battalion wide basis.
7. Rotate the Inspections on an Order and Instructionals on a yearly basis.
8. Create a line item in the budget to assist the Grand Commander with the Newby/Avery Banquet.
9. I recommend creating a Time and Place Committee for the purpose of planning the various business meetings and associated meals or banquets. They would coordinate this with the Grand Commander.

Conclusion:

There are some very strong Commanderies and a few that are very weak. Having said that, the overall status of Templary in the State of Indiana in my estimation is only fair. The reason that I say this is because in part the ratio of our Knightings versus Demits and Suspensions. On January 1, 2017 we started with a membership of 3,121 Sir Knights:

Pluses:

1. Knighted 143
2. Affiliated 235
3. Reinstated 17
4. Total Gains 395 which is good

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Minuses:

1. Demits 287
2. Suspensions 102
3. Deaths 125
4. Adjustments 4
5. Gross Losses 518
6. Net loss of 123

Final Membership count on December 31, 2017 was 2,998. It is one of my recommendations as stated above that the local Commanderies contact these Sir Knights who have recently asked for a demit or who have been suspended and conduct an exit survey/interview and ask why they are leaving, then act on the results of what they have learned.

To our current members, the success or failure of the Order is in your hands. The masonic fraternity is a bottom up organization. The success of the local bodies is the driving force of the fraternity and this is within your power to control. We on the State level can only suggest and guide. It is up to the local leadership to make things happen.

You must give the membership something other than paying bills. It all starts when you receive the petition. Schedule the Orders and do the work within your Commandery. Do not wait for a festival or a one-day class. In my opinion, one-day classes and Festivals are part of the reason for the decline in the activities in the local Commanderies. If you are NOT willing to do the work for the candidate, I ask you, why would you expect your new Sir Knight to come back and to participate in your local York Rite. If you are unwilling to do the work why would a new member want to learn any parts.

The decline in the York Rite has been an ongoing problem for a long time, it did not happen overnight. So, it is with that in mind I offer this advice with a word of warning; the turnaround in your membership may take a few years of hard work. We did not reach this level overnight and it is unreasonable to think we can turn this around in a year or two.

To our newer members, you have been told that you are the future of the fraternity.....I am here to tell you that you have been lied to. You are not the future, you are the here and now. If there is something that you want to do....DO IT. If there is something you want to try...TRY IT. So long as it falls within the parameters of the "Constitution, Rules, Regulations and Edicts of the Grand Encampment" and the "Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery of Indiana", you can do anything you want, but do something.

To our senior members, thank you for what you have done to preserve what we have today. If it were not for your efforts to keep the fraternity going, we would not be having this conversation. Give a history of what it was like in your day to give some inspiration to the new generation. If the younger members, ask for guidance give it in a positive manner. Be honest about why something may not have worked without being negative. What did not work out in your day maybe just the right thing today.

In concluding my remarks, I want to thank the Sir Knights of Indiana for having the confidence of giving me the opportunity of serving as the Grand Commander of the Knights Templar of Indiana this past year. It was indeed an honor and privilege to have served the Sir Knights of Indiana, I hope that I have met your expectations. I also want to thank the Sir Knights of Indiana for their warm welcome whenever I and my Lady Claire had the opportunity to visit.

I also want to thank my Lady Claire. Without her support, I could not have completed this journey through the Grand Commandery line. She was my proof reader for most of my reports and other

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correspondence. She was there for those long rides from the far northwest corner of the state when I went to the Receptions, Inspections and other meetings throughout the state. As I said, she was my support in this journey and is my rock.

Fraternally,

Lawrence J. Williams  
Grand Commander

The Grand Commander then moved that the Report be received. It was then 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

**Report of the Jurisprudence Committee  
Division and References**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, officers and members of the Grand Commander Knights Templar of Indiana.

The committee on jurisprudence has reviewed the allocation of the Grand Commander and other preprinted reports and makes the following motion.

- That General Orders 1 through 8 referred to Jurisprudence committee.
- That General Order 5 also be referred to Holy Land Pilgrimage.
- That Bulletin Number 9 should be a General Order and referred to Charters and Dispensations.
- That section on Special Deputies appointed referred to Charters and Dispensations.
- That section on Personal Representatives Appointed for Grand Commander referred to Jurisprudence committee.
- That section on Commanderies Constituted, Closed, or Merged referred to Charters and Dispensations.
- That section on Rulings and Decisions referred to Jurisprudence committee
- That the portions on Commissions and Grand Representatives be referred to the Jurisprudence committee.
- That the portion on By-laws approved be referred to the By-laws Committee.
- That recommendations 1 be referred to the Youth Committee.
- That recommendations 2 be referred to the Membership/Inactive Participation Committee.
- That recommendations 3 be referred Templar Education and Finance Committees.
- That recommendations 4. 5. 6, and 7 be referred in coming Grand Commander and Executive Committees.
- That recommendations 8 be referred finance committee.
- That recommendations 9 be referred Executive Committee.

Courteously submitted for the committee

Steven J. Barton, KCT, PGC

Moved to adopt the report by SK Barton, it was second, motion passed.

## **Presentation of Certificate for Grand Representative**

The Grand Commander then called on Sir Knight Randal Ellington and presented him with his commission from the Grand Commandery of Arkansas as the Representative to that Jurisdiction.

## **Roll Call of Grand Representatives**

Roll call of Grand Representatives showed that 35 were present, 11 were absent, 2 were excused and 2 positions open.

## **Jurisprudence Committee Report**

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and members of this Grand Commandery. I would like to report that the findings of the Jurisprudence Committee, on the Commissions of Grand Representatives, as in the Preprinted Proceedings, by the Grand Commander we find in proper form and I move for the adoption of this report.

Janes L. Dove, KCT, PGC. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

## **Grand Recorder's Report**

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Distinguished East, Sir Knight all,

The year has been both a challenge and a pleasure.

Good news:

This year has seen a low number of changes of Recorders of our Commanderies. In December as expected we did see a couple of changes but those who are new Recorders for the year 2018 had already been made available access to our Data Base and most are already working in that Data Base.

Bad news;

We consolidate three Commanderies this past year which in most cases have involved a new night mare for the Recorders where they have consolidated with. As always in any consolidation the result is a number of losses of Sir Knights, due to demits usually because of distance to travel and it not being "Where I received my work." The reality being the Sir Knight hasn't been to a Conclave in ten years.

Good news:

We have a new Commandery and we had a ceremony of Constituting that new Commandery, Greene County No. 68 received their Charter on May 27, 2017. They are up and running having 22 Sir Knights before they received their Charter and Knighting another 8 during the year.

Bad news:

One of the great pleasures and challenges this past year has been to award the "Star Recorder of the year." Last year was the same issue for me. I am very aware that there are at the very least more than a half dozen Recorder who are doing a great job for their Commanderies and I wish I could give an award to each Recorder for their efforts. How do I decide, and was it the right decision?

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Good news:

Each Recorder of our Commanderies work very hard every day and while I can't give each one of you that award, I want to at the very least offer a pat on the back for a job well done, and hope that your job is a little easier when you know I am always there to help and just a phone call away, and we will find the answer to any question you may need help with.

I would like to close with a special thank you to our Grand Commander Larry Williams who has been there any time I called for advice and assistance. I look forward to his being one of our greatest assent to the Grand Commandery in the future as his has been in the past.

George A. Ingles, Jr., PGC  
Grand Recorder

### **By-Laws Committee Report**

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Distinguish East, Sir Knights all:

Your By-laws committee received three proposed requests for changes to their By-laws.

Elkhart Commandery No. 31 has a complete renewed set of By-laws which has changed the meeting dates to remain the same with the addition that they will meet each month as opposed to their last set in which they were dark in January and February. They also changed the time to vote on dues for the following year to be determined at the Stated Conclave in June.

Baldwin Commandery No. 2 Has rewritten their By-laws with the only change being the amount of dues to be charged annually. They did not change the paragraph in the By-laws to comply with Indiana Law whereby the amount of the dues for the following year shall be determined at the June Stated Conclave.

Frankfort Commandery No. 29 Has revised their By-Laws to change the amount of their dues to be charged annually. They did not change the paragraph in the By-laws to comply with Indiana Law whereby the amount of the dues for the following year shall be determined at the June Stated Conclave.

All three have been approved by the committee and returned to the Commanderies, awaiting the approval or Rejection of the Grand Commandery.

Fraternally,

George A. Ingles, Jr., PGC  
Grand Recorder,  
For the Committee

### **Legislation Change By-Laws**

*Whereas;* Section 806: (a) currently reads:

**Section 806:** (a) Commanderys shall include in their by-laws the first stated conclave in June as the designated meeting at which dues of the Commandery shall be discussed and the amount set. Every Commandery shall designate in its by-laws the amount of dues to be paid by each member annually. The amount of these dues shall include the amount determined by each Commandery for their operation plus the amount set by the Grand Commandery for the Grand Commandery General Fund

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and the Grand Encampment Assessment, plus \$1.00 for all non-life or higher sponsors of the Eye Foundation.

All dues and assessments are payable in advance and must be collected when due or considered in arrears.

(b) Dues are chargeable to all Knights Templar in good standing and end on the date that his membership is terminated, or when he becomes a fifty-year member.

(c) within ten (10) days following the June stated conclave the Recorder of the Commandery shall forward to the Grand Recorder the amount the membership of the Commandery shall be charged for the following year dues. Any Commandery failing to forward the information to the Grand Recorder in that time frame the last recorded dues shall apply. (*April 2016*)

Change to read:

**Section 806:** (a) Commanderys shall include in their by-laws the first stated conclave in June as the designated meeting at which dues of the Commandery shall be discussed and the amount set. ~~Every Commandery shall designate in its by-laws the amount of dues to be paid by each member annually.~~ The amount of these dues shall include the amount determined by each Commandery for their operation plus the amount set by the Grand Commandery for the Grand Commandery General Fund and the Grand Encampment Assessment, plus \$1.00 for all non-life or higher sponsors of the Eye Foundation.

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Reason for change:

As the dues are to be determined at the June Stated Conclave any amount stated in the By-Laws will be out of date should that change occur. The change will be noted in the minutes of the Stated Conclave and the information sent to the Grand Recorder.

Fraternally submitted,

George A. Ingles, Jr., PGC  
Grand Recorder

It was moved to approve this change and seconded. Following Jurisprudence report it was approved.

### **Jurisprudence Committee By-Laws Change**

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Indiana:

Your Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the Revision of Section 806 (a) and find it in order and recommend its approval.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven J. Barton, PGC, For the Committee

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**REPORT OF THE GRAND RECORDER FOR 2017 - 2018**

**Refer to the Grand Treasurer's financial report to reflect the financial information recorded by the Grand Recorder. The final audit for the fiscal year will be printed in the annual proceedings.**

**Membership Statistics**

Number of Chartered Commanderies	33	
Number of Commanderies under dispensation	1	
Total Membership January 1, 2017		3,121
Knights Templar conferred on:	143	
Affiliated	235	
Reinstated	17	
		+395
Deductions for 2017:		
Deceased	125	
Demitted	287	
Suspended	102	
Adjustments	4	
		-518
Net Gain/Loss for the year		-123
Total Membership December 31, 2017		2,998

**COMPARATIVE STATISTICS**

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Number of Commanderies	40	40	38	36	36	35	33
Net Loss in Membership	157	159	143	138	178	206	519
# of Commanderies w/no Knightings	10	8	8	8	10	3	8
# of Commanderies w/Gain	9	5	12	7	3	5	10
# of Commanderies w/Losses	27	29	18	26	31	28	20
# of Commanderies staying even	4	6	3	3	2	2	2
Total Affiliations	51	111	36	72	33	142	235
Total Reinstated	14	13	26	17	16	9	17
Total Deaths	114	133	93	100	124	120	125
Total Demits	148	181	98	150	87	239	287
Suspensions	68	81	174	99	114	117	102
Remissions	372	348	363	351	354	364	339

Commanderies with less than 100 members	21
Commanderies with 101-200 members	11
Commanderies with 201-300 members	1
Smallest Commandery Greene Cty #68	30
Largest Commandery (Prather #62)	210

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**INSURANCE AND BOND COVERAGE**  
**March 31, 2018**

**CONTENTS and LIABILITY COVERAGE –**

Worldwide Insurance, 2424 West Missouri Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85015

Policy # 63432275

Comprehensive General Liability Coverage - \$100,000.00 aggregate and \$100,000.00 each occurrence.

No building coverage.

Money and Securities are covered up to \$10,000 on premises and \$5,000 off premises. \$500 deductible

Premium: \$400.00 (one year)

**BLANKET BOND COVERAGE –**

The Fidelity and Deposit Corporation – Agent: Wilson, Lawson, Meyers Agency, Connersville, IN

Policy #60-13-658-1 – Effective to date of cancellation – Current premium paid to 12-01-2017

Named Insured: Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana, its Constituent Commanderies, and Knights Templar Educational Foundation

Form A Employees Dishonesty Coverage - \$10,000.00

Blanket Excess Employees Dishonesty Coverage - \$200,000 on Grand Recorder in that position; \$50,000.00 on Secretary – Treasurer of Educational Foundation in that position:

Excess coverage carries the primary coverage as deductible so that \$50,000.00 is maximum coverage. Premium \$1,773.00 (3 years)

**Properties owned by the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana**  
**(March 31, 2018)**

<u>Item (Date of Acquisition)</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>	<u>Est. Value</u>
Legal File – 4-drawer – Olive		20.00
(2) Letter Files-Tan - (Repainted 1988)		25.00
Seal of the Grand Commandery (no art work)	100.00	100.00
30 Skull Caps for 5 <sup>th</sup> Libation		100.00
Toshiba Computer & Accessories (2015)	900.00	250.00
HP Printer Copier Scanner (pro 8630) (2015)	450.00	200.00
Office supplies and other items for sale- estimated		300.00
ITA Pins (30)		
50-year pins (20)		
DSA awards – Members (100)		
DSA awards – Friends (50)		
Newby-Avery Pins (all varieties)	3,500.00	3,000.00
150 Year Books (30)	5.00	150.00
Total estimated value:		\$4,145.00

All of the above items are located in the Grand Commandery Office at:  
3601 N. Vienna Woods Dr., Muncie IN

*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*  
**Finance Committee Report**

To: The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers and Sir Knights

The finance committee submits this report on the 2018 Budget. The Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer have done an excellent job maintaining control of the finances of this Grand Commandery. The issues that will be or have been addressed are as follows.

1. The repair or purchase of Past Grand Commander jewels will be budgeted to ensure that there are sufficient jewels available when needed. They currently are not budgeted.
2. We will be able to track expenses compared to budget more closely than in the past. The monitoring system will be improved.
3. The bond insurance may be purchased in 3-year increments instead of one to maintain costs.
4. The Life Membership CD (\$6K dollars) has been moved to the General Fund and tracked until it is exhausted.
5. Grand Master Duane Vaught would like for us to budget \$25K for the forthcoming Triennial. Chairman of the Trustees Larry Brown assures us that the funds will be available when needed.
6. There should be \$20k available to the Grand Commandery in the future from the Permanent Fund. The Permanent Fund has increased annually to \$400k in 2017. With that in mind, we do not recommend an increase in the Indiana per capita tax.

If market conditions change or there are unforeseen expenses, that will be addressed in the future.

7. Proposed projects by Deputy Grand Commander for 2018
  - a. Print a Commandery Monitor, cost \$500
  - b. Provide for web site and webmaster, cost \$175-\$500
  - c. ITA expenses for Mid, North and South regions, cost \$500
  - d. Raise GIG expense allotment to \$1000 and appoint 3 DGIGs for the three regions- cost not finalized

Fraternally submitted,  
Ronald Ellis, PGC, KCT, Chairman  
Irvin Bitting, PGC, KCT  
Jack Wallace, PGC, KCT  
Robert Frazer, PGC, KCT, Grand Treasurer  
George Ingles, PGC, KCT, Grand Recorder

**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**  
**2018 Budget**

<b>RECEIPTS</b>	Accounting Number	<b>Total Budget</b>
Per Capita Dues - Indiana		\$30,500.00
Per Capita Dues - Grand Encampment		\$27,000.00
Transfer from Life Membership to Grand Commandery Funds	\$ 1,386.00	-
Transfer from Life Membership to Grand Encampment	\$ 1,771.00	-
Transfer from Life Membership to Subordinate Commanderies	\$ 3,214.75	-
Transfer from Life Membership	\$ 6,371.75	-
K. T. Eye Foundation Assessment		\$2,000.00
Knighting Fees		\$1,260.00
Total Per Capita Assessments	5200	<b>\$60,760.00</b>
Interest earned	5310	\$150.00
Permanent Fund / Newby/Avery Donations	4050	\$3,500.00
Permanent Fund Transfer		\$ 0.00
Postage for Rituals	5407	\$25.00
Rituals	5408	\$1,000.00
DSA Payments	5409	\$1,000.00
Grand Conclave Banquet Income 2018	5458	\$5,000.00
Miscellaneous	5490	\$300.00
<b>Income Total</b>		<b>\$71,735.00</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS**  
**NON-DISCRETIONARY AND SPECIAL ACCOUNTS - 7300**

Grand Encampment Per Capita		\$27,000.00
K.T. Eye Foundation		\$2,000.00
Grand Encampment Per-Capita Total	7310	<b>\$ 29,000.00</b>
Triennial	7320	\$3,000.00
Triennial Drill Team Travel	7321	\$500.00

**DISCRETIONARY -7400**

Officers Expenses	7410	
Grand Commander	7411	\$5,200.00
Grand Recorder	7412	\$10,000.00
Grand Treasurer	7413	\$250.00
KT Supplement	7414	\$250.00
GIG Expenses	7415	\$1,000.00
Grand Officers	7416	\$2,500.00
Grand Commander's Contingency	7417	\$1,000.00

**OPERATIONS** 7500

Accounting (Audit) / Taxes	7510	\$ 1,500.00
Funeral Expenses	7514	\$ 250.00

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**TRAVEL & MEETING EXPENSES** 7550

Mics. Grand Conclave Expenses	7551	\$700.00
Grand Conclave	7552	\$3,200.00
Grand Conclave Banquet		\$2,500.00
Drills Competition Rental	7553	\$250.00
Drill Bars & Team Awards	7554	\$300.00
BOND Insurance - Grand Recorder	7570	\$360.00

**OPERATION SUPPLIES** 7600

Rituals	7620	\$525.00
Uniform	7625	\$100.00
PGC & GPE Jewels New & Repairs	7651	\$250.00

**AWARDS** 7700

Newby/Avery Plaques / Pins	7653	\$200.00
Ribbons, Plaques, Trophies	7710	\$200.00
DSA Awards	7705	\$100.00

Membership Development /Publicity	7800	\$1,300.00
Indiana Templar Academy	7855	\$100.00
Youth	7900	\$750.00

**Grand Recorder Office Expenses** 8100

Office Supplies	8110	\$500.00
Telephone	8120	\$1,300.00
Automatic Calling Service	8121	\$50.00
Internet	8130	\$900.00
Outside Computer Services Web Host	8131	\$400.00
Computer Software	8135	\$300.00
Computer Hardware	8136	\$250.00
Postage	8138	\$500.00
Shipping & Postage	8139	\$150.00
Office Printing & Copying	8170	\$500.00
Proceedings - Annual and Advanced	8174	\$600.00
Red Book	8175	\$ 0.00

Misc.	9510	\$500.00
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**Expense Total** **\$71,735.00**

Surplus / (Deficit)	<b>\$ -</b>
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**Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana**  
**Treasurer's Report**  
**April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018**

**BMO Bank: Operating Fund:**

**Balance on Hand 4/1/017 (Checking & Savings Accounts)** \$123,777.84

Accounts:

**Commandery Checking Beginning Balance 4/1/2017** \$ -52.50

Checking Deposits	\$78,972.71	
Checking Withdrawals	\$78,041.87	
Un-cleared Transactions	\$ 3,000.00	
Balance on Statement 3/31/2018	\$ 3,878.34	
<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$ 878.34</b>

**Commandery Savings Beginning Balance 4/1/2017** \$123,830.34

**Deposits (4/1/2017 - 3/31/2018)**

4010 Individual Contributions	\$ 10,000.00
4050 Newby/Avery Donations	\$ 2,484.90
5205 Per Capita 2017	\$ 54,632.81
5310 L M CD Closed and deposited to GF Savings	\$ 6,000.00
5310 Interest Savings Short Term	\$ 113.81
5406 Ritual Award Program	\$ 30.00
5407 Ritual Postage	\$ 45.00
5408 Ritual / Tactics	\$ 803.61
5409 DSA Awards	\$ 1,292.50
5422 ITA	\$ 1,404.60
5450 Grand Conclave income 2017	\$ 3,089.68
5458 Grand Conclave income 2018	\$ 6,269.72
5490 Miscellaneous Income	\$ 191.00

Commandery Savings Deposits \$ 86,379.22

Commandery Savings Withdrawals \$ 78,972.71

**Ending Balance** **\$131,237.35**

**Disbursements (4/1/2017 – 3/31/2018)**

7310 - Per Capita	\$ 30,087.00
7315 – Refund pf Per Capita	\$ 184.00
7411 – G.C. Expense 2017/18	\$ .00
7412 - G. R. Expenses	\$ 9,999.98
7413 - G. T. Expense	\$ 250.00
7414 - KT Editor Supplies	\$ 250.00
7414 – G.I.G. Expenses	\$ 911.00
7510 – Audit	\$ 1,400.00
7514 – Funeral Expense	\$ 148.42
7552 - Travel & Meeting Conclave Expenses	\$ 17,272.48
7553 – Drill Competition Non-Award Expense	\$ 250.00
7554 - Drill Bars	\$ 238.50
7570 – Insurance Bond Officers	\$ 359.00
7620 - Ritual & Tactics	\$ 725.00
7621 – Ritual Tactics Shipping	\$ 57.95
7625 - Uniform Supplies	\$ 999.00
7651 - G.C. Jewel	\$ 3,003.76
7653 - Newby Avery Pins	\$ 28.00
7710 - Ribbons, Plaques, Trophies	\$ 178.00
7811 – Booth Space IMH Day	\$ 50.00
7855 – ITA Expenses	\$ 1,620.00
7857 – Emerging Leadership	\$ 3,094.49
7920 – Job's Daughters	\$ 250.00
7930 – Rainbow for Girls	\$ 250.00

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7940 – DeMolay	\$ 250.00	
8110 - Office Supplies	\$ 523.50	
8120 – Telephone	\$ 1,024.52	
8130 – Internet	\$ 882.16	
8135 – Computer Software	\$ 2,281.09	
8138 – Postage	\$ 425.34	
8139 – Shipping & Postage	\$ 9.15	
8171 – Advanced Proceedings	\$ 362.00	
8172 – Grand Conclave Printing	\$ 303.30	
8174 – Annual Proceedings	\$ 75.00	
8178 - G. R. Printing	\$ 246.48	
9510 – Misc. Other Expenses	\$ 52.75	
<b>Total Disbursements (4/1/2017 - 3/31/2018)</b>		<b>\$ 78,041.87</b>
<b>Balance on Hand 3/31/2018 (Checking and Savings Accounts)</b>		<b>\$135,115.69</b>
<b>FUNDS HELD IN SEPERATE ACCOUNTS:</b>		
Commandery Life Membership Savings Account Balance 4/1/2017		\$ 24,796.06
Life Membership Deposits	\$ .00	
Life Membership Interest	\$ 12.40	
Life Membership Withdrawals	\$ .00	
Ending Balance (3/31/2018)		<b>\$ 24,808.46</b>
Life Membership Investment (CD)		\$ 6,000.00
(CD) closed and deposited in General fund to cover	\$ .00	
Life Member cost for 2017 Dues to Commanderies	\$ 6,000.00	
<b>Total Life Membership Accounts</b>		<b>\$ 24,808.46</b>
Triennial Beginning Balance 4/1/2017		\$ 1,229.99
Triennial Deposits	\$ .00	
Triennial Withdrawals	\$ .00	
Triennial Savings Interest	\$ .61	
<b>Ending Balance 3/31/2018</b>	<b>\$ 1,230.60</b>	
<b>Total Triennial Account</b>		<b>\$ 1,230.60</b>
Life Membership Development Investment (CD)		<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
<b>Total in BMO Harris Bank (3/31/2018)</b>		<b>171,154.75</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Bank of Richmond</b>		
<b>Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund Beginning Balance (4/1/2017)</b>		\$12,195.25
Holy Land Pilgrimage Deposits	\$ 7,997.00	
Interest	\$ 14.53	
Withdrawals for Holy Land Trip	\$14,393.60	
<b>Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund Balance (3/31/2018)</b>		<b>\$ 5,813.18</b>
<b>Total Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund</b>		<b>\$ 5,813.18</b>
<b>Conclave Program Fund Beginning Balance (4/1/2017)</b>		\$ 9,824.19
Conclave Program Deposits	\$ 2,425.00	
Interest	\$ 12.31	
Withdrawals for Printing Book	\$ 1,509.00	
<b>Conclave Program Fund Balance (3/31/2018)</b>		<b>\$ 10,752.50</b>
<b>Total Conclave Program Fund</b>		<b>\$ 10,752.50</b>
<b>Total Other Funds</b>		<b>\$87,734.55</b>
Morgan Stanley Permanent Fund 4/1/2017		\$376,975.15

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Morgan Stanley Permanent Fund Gain (Losses)	\$ 28,731.59	
Morgan Stanley Permanent Fund 3/31/2018		<b>\$405,706.74</b>
Morgan Stanley Educational Fund 4/1/2017	\$230,781.17	
Morgan Stanley Educational Fund Gain (Losses)	\$ 12,712.78	
Morgan Stanley Educational Fund 3/31/2018		<b>\$243,493.95</b>
<b>Morgan Stanley Totals</b>		<b>\$649,200.68</b>
<b>Total All Accounts</b>		<b>\$908,089.98</b>

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert J. Frazer, KCT, PGC, GT

**TRUSTEE’S REPORT**

To: The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers of the Grand Commandery and Sir Knights of Indiana.

The year-end report for the Indiana Grand Commandery Permanent Fund is \$408,455.44. This is a 7.62% return for the year March 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018.

Respectfully submitted by:

Larry W. Brown, PGC, PDC  
James L. Dove, PGC  
Michael D. Ritter, PGC  
George A. Ingles, Grand Recorder, PGC  
Robert J. Frazier, Grand Treasurer, PGC

A motion was made to accept the Trustees Report. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

**EDUCATION FOUNDATION REPORT**

To the R.E. Grand Commander, R.E. Past Grand Commanders, Grand Officers, and Sir Knights:

The Committee met back in July of 2017, and again on April 23, 2018. We have generated a form for application for scholarships and it is on the web site. We have received one application.

We discussed the money of the Grand Encampment that is in our hands with Morgan/Stanley and the Committee has decided that the money should go back to Grand Encampment. We made a payment of \$1,281.55 to them on March 2, 2018 for us handling their money.

I therefore move that this report be adopted, and the money returned to the Grand Encampment for their management. We will still have the opportunity to grant Scholarships as we see fit from this fund.

Fraternally,

*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*

Robert J. Frazer, PGC, GT, President  
James L Dove, PGC Sec/Tre  
James L. Bolinger, PGC  
Jack Wallace, PGC  
Thomas Johnson, GStB

The motion passed and during the month of May the money will be transferred to the Grand Encampment.

**Jurisprudence Committee Report**

Right Eminent Grand Commander, officers and members of this Grand Commandery. General Order and Dispensations, as listed in the Grand Commander's Allocution, are in order and have been approved by the Jurisprudence Committee. The committee would like to note that Bulletin No. 9, should be listed as General Orders as they required action from the Grand Commander.

For the committee,  
Steven J. Barton, KCT, PDC.  
It was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

**Resolution for the addition of the Honorary Title of Grand Recorder Emeritus**

*TO: The Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Indiana.*

*WHEREAS:* Sir Knight John Vincent Stevens, KCT, PGC served as Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana during the years 1999 to 2006. Sir Knight Stevens served with honor and preformed all duties required and requested of him.

*WHEREAS:* In accordance with Section 277 (a) (a) of the Constitution and Statues of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States and the approval of Grand Master Duane Lee Vaught, contingent on the passage of this Resolution.

*NOW THEREFORE:* Be it known to all Knights Templar wheresoever dispersed, that Sir Knight John Vincent Stevens be officially proclaimed GRAND RECORDER EMERITUS, on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D, 2018 A.O. 900, by this Grand Commandery here assembled in its 164<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave.

Fraternally Submitted,  
George A. Ingles, KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder

It was moved to adopt this Resolution, it was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

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GRAND COMMANDERY  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA  
Financial Statements  
March 31, 2018

GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA

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To the Grand Commandery,  
Knights Templar of Indiana

**Independent Accountants' Compilation Report**

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana (a non profit organization), which comprise the statement of assets and net assets - cash basis as of March 31, 2018, and the related statements of revenue and expense - cash basis for the year ended, and the related notes to the financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, and for determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable financial reporting framework. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standard for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the financial statements nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on these financial statements.

We draw attention to Note 1(b) of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

BCR CPA Group  
July 13, 2018

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 GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA  
 STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND NET ASSETS  
 - CASH BASIS -  
 MARCH 31, 2018

Assets:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents:	
General Checking Account	\$ 878.34
Triennial Savings Account	1,230.55
Life Membership Savings Account	24,808.46
Per Capita Savings Account	131,177.35
Money Market Account	
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>158,094.70</u>
Investments:	
Certificate of Deposits	0.00
Education Fund	<u>405,706.73</u>
Total Investments	<u>405,706.73</u>
Accounts Receivable	0.00
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Total Assets	<u>\$ 563,801.43</u>
Net Assets:	
Unrestricted	<u>\$ 563,801.43</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 563,801.43</u>

See accompanying notes and accountants' compilation report

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GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE  
- CASH BASIS -  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2018

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Permanently Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues and Other Support:				
Per Capita Holding	\$ 54,448.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 54,448.81
Membership Dues	2,484.90			2,484.90
Interest & Dividend Income	10,433.66	-	-	10,433.66
DSA Awards Payments Received	1,292.50	-	-	1,292.50
Realized Gain on Investment	2,560.62	-	-	2,560.62
Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments	11,178.02	-	-	11,178.02
Other Receipts for Rituals & Publications	878.61	-	-	878.61
Contributions & Life Memberships	10,000.00	-	-	10,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	10,955.00	-	-	10,955.00
	<u>104,232.12</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>104,232.12</u>
Total Revenue and Other Support				
Expenses:				
Program Expenses	70,398.64	-	-	70,398.64
Payment to Beneficiaries of Life Estates	-	-	-	-
Management and General Expenses	12,598.27	-	-	12,598.27
	<u>82,996.91</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,996.91</u>
Total Expenses				
Change in Net Assets	<u>21,235.21</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,235.21</u>
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	<u>542,566.22</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>542,566.22</u>
Net Assets at End of Year	<u>\$ 563,801.43</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 563,801.43</u>

See accompanying notes and accountants' compilation report

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GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
MARCH 31, 2018

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Significant accounting policies followed by Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana are listed below:

- (a) For the purposes of these statements, the organization considers all short-term debt securities purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.
- (b) Assets and liabilities and revenues and expenses are recognized on the cash basis of accounting. This differs from generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. in that revenues are recorded when received rather than when earned, and expenses are recorded when paid rather than when incurred.
- (c) Investments - the organization carries investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities at their fair values in the statement of financial position. Unrealized gains and losses on investment are included in the change in net assets in the accompanying statement of activities.
- (d) Equipment is expensed when purchased, or if donated, a fair market value is expensed as of the date of the gift.
- (e) The organization reports gifts of cash and other assets as restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donation. When a stipulation is not fulfilled, the organization returns the donation to the donor. Donor-restricted contributions whose restrictions are met in the same reporting period are reported as unrestricted support.
- (f) The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.
- (g) Restricted and Unrestricted Revenue - Contributions received are recorded as increases in unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions.
- (h) The Organization has evaluated subsequent events through July 5, 2016, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

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GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED  
MARCH 31, 2018

**NOTE 2 - TAX STATUS**

The organization has been determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be tax exempt under Section 501(c)(10) of the Internal Revenue Code and not determined to be a private foundation.

**NOTE 3 - FUNCTIONAL ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES**

**Detail of Program Expenses**

Jewels	\$ 3,003.76
Printing & Copying	683.48
Trophies and Awards	694.50
Uniforms	999.00
Conferences, Conventions, Meetings	17,272.48
Membership Development	4,714.49
Grand Officers Expense	11,410.98
Tactics & Rituals	782.95
Triennial Expense	-
Per Capita Payment	30,087.00
Contributions	750.00
Total	<u>\$ 70,398.64</u>

**Detail of Management and General Expenses**

Professional Fees	\$ 1,400.00
Office Expense	826.80
Postage	487.24
Insurance	359.00
Telephone & Telecommunications	1,906.68
Computer Software, Expenses	2,281.09
Investment Advisory Fees	5,103.61
All Other	233.85
Total	<u>\$ 12,598.27</u>

*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*  
**Education Committee Budget for 2019**  
 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION  
 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE BUDGET

DIVISION OF GRAND COMMANDERY OF INDIANA  
 FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2018

After Adoption by the Division Grand Commandery, this budget is to be submitted for approval by the Educational Foundation of the Grand Encampment no later than the first day of November of the current year.

(See Section 14d of Regulations and Standard Practice)

Forward three (3) signed copies of the budget to:

Lawrence E. Tucker, Secretary,  
 5909 West Loop South, Suite 495, Bellaire Texas 77401.

One copy, indicating approval status under the name of the Chairman, will be returned to you.

	Total Income	INCOME	
			Administrative Expenses
Interest from student loans:			
(75% available for administrative expense)	\$ <u>0</u>		\$ <u>0</u>
Realized Income from Investments:			
(10% available for administrative expense)	\$ <u>1000</u>		\$ <u>100</u>
(See Section 14d of Regulations and Stand Practice)			

**ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE BUDGET**

Salaries: (Give Gross Totals Incl. Withholding for Income Tax)	\$ _____	Postage & Express	\$ _____
Secretary / Treasurer	\$ _____	Telephone	\$ _____
Other Salaries	\$ _____	Stationery, Supplies	\$ _____
Attorney or Collection Fees	\$ _____	Furniture, Equipment Repairs	\$ _____
Rent	\$ _____	Premiums on Investments	\$ _____
Safe Deposit Box	\$ _____	Miscellaneous (Itemize below)	\$ _____
Fidelity Bonds	\$ _____		
Social Security (FICA) <i>employer only</i>	\$ _____		
Unemployment Compensation (FUTA)	\$ _____		
Audit	\$ <u>100</u>		
Committee Meetings	\$ _____		
Traveling Expense Contacting Loanees	\$ _____		

TOTAL ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE: \$ 100

(NOT to exceed Total Amount Available for Administration Expense.)

**AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS**

Total Realized Income	\$ _____	<u>100</u>
Less Administrative Expense	\$ _____	<u>100</u>
Net Amount Available	\$ _____	<u>0</u>

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 Larry W. Brown  
 Division Chairman, Educational Committee

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 George A. Ingles, Jr.  
 Division Secretary Educational Committee

Approved:

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 Grand Encampment Chairman of Committee on Educational Foundation

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**Necrology Report**

The Necrology Committee reports that 125 Sir Knights have passed to the Great Asylum above, created by our Heavenly Father for His faithful followers from the foundations of the world. Our thoughts and our prayers go forth for those Commanderies that have lost Sir Knights, as well as to their families, loved ones and friends who grieve in their absence.

While it is a heavy heart for all affected by the loss of a Sir Knights, may our prayers be offered for those Commanderies that have suffered the greatest loss of Sir Knights; Columbus No. 14 (11), Frankfort #29 (11) and Elkhart No. 31 (10). The entire list of the 125 Sir Knights are below.

May all who suffered these losses be consoled that the good works of these Sir Knights do follow them, for which they will be remembered. They are at rest from their labors and may they be at peace forever.

As you can see, our Charter is draped in honor of the Past Grand Commanders we have lost this past year. Additional information will follow for them.

Yours in Christian Faith

David Cincoski,  
Grand Prelate

<b>Commandery</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Birth date</b>	<b>Passed</b>
Raper No.1	Harrison E. "Gene" Lackey	06/10/1926	04/10/2017
Baldwin No. 2	James Leonard Beason	08/16/1920	09/01/2017
	Paul Allan Cole	08/07/1936	10/20/2017
	Ronald Stephen Estel	12/27/1942	10/07/2017
	Jesse Gene Reed	12/23/1926	09/27/2017
Fort Wayne No. 4	Gregory Bateman	04/13/1949	06/26/2017
	James Brian Coleman	05/16/1956	03/15/2018
	James S. DeMond	01/04/1924	04/08/2018
	Robert E. Faulkner	03/02/1930	05/29/2017
	Michael D. Gillard	10/28/1942	12/12/2017
New Albany No. 5	Carl E. Duley	04/04/1936	12/08/2017
	Donald T. Mount	09/09/1925	02/06/2015
	William Beeson Scott	10/09/1926	04/22/2017
	Narvin Leroy Stowers	01/21/1932	12/23/2016
Connersville No. 6	Roger Hollingshead Smith	01/07/1932	01/22/2018
	William R. Usher	10/07/1942	02/13/2018
Richmond No. 8	Matthew Benjamin Bernard	05/30/1971	12/22/2017
	Ora Wilbert Black	04/13/1929	06/09/2017
	Jesse Lamar Johnson	09/17/2017	09/01/2017

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Greencastle No. 11	Christopher R. Pruden	04/24/1952	06/05/2017
La Porte No. 12	Daniel Ray Bolinger Hager Minix	09/01/1947 07/16/1953	05/23/2017 08/14/2017
South Bend No. 13	Jerry Davis Harold Robert Grebe George Henry Kline William Edward Lawrence Harold Dean Myers	05/01/1920 01/02/1926 03/06/1922 03/21/1921 11/13/1919	07/10/2017 01/02/2017 02/23/2017 04/22/2017 10/02/2016
Columbus No. 14	Albert Ray Anness David I. Bean Paul Allan Cole Ralph A. Hattabaugh Larry D. Johnson Arnold Lee Mautino Gilbert Mouser Coell Smith Craig Roger Solmon James Ivan VanBlaricum Roy Seybold Whiteman	09/14/1931 09/14/1931 08/07/1936 09/04/1935 09/10/1947 06/29/1934 11/20/1921 12/22/1935 01/15/1936 01/16/1948 03/16/1931	07/04/2017 08/21/2017 10/20/2017 08/28/2017 11/26/2017 05/15/2016 05/10/2016 10/02/2017 08/28/2017 09/08/2017 11/11/2017
LaValette No. 15	George Woods Kemeipp Walter Ernst Ulrich, Jr. William Lawrence Williams	10/18/1928 08/17/1925 11/28/1932	01/17/2014 07/17/2014 08/17/2017
Terre Haute No. 16	Jerry Dale Elmore	08/26/1937	03/05/2018
Apollo No. 19	James Brian Coleman William E. Douglas Darrell C. Heffelfinger Robert Eugene Richards Donald D. Shipe Charles Ervin Widner	05/16/1956 07/27/1927 09/26/1928 01/12/1925 08/09/1939 03/17/1921	03/15/2018 04/15/2016 03/17/2016 10/06/2016 02/24/2018 04/01/2016
Vincennes No. 20	David Louis Lloyd James C. McCormick John Charles Rist	07/05/1946 01/03/1935 04/20/1942	11/10/2017 05/22/2017 03/20/2017
Crawfordsville No. 25	James Arthur Kidd Michael McKeown James Frank Peaman Fred H. Smith	01/19/1930 01/05/1946 09/05/1943 12/20/1934	10/02/2017 11/25/2017 10/03/2016 05/14/2010
Valparaiso No. 28	Larry Lane Carpenter C. Donald Chappell Marion Benny Hinton Lawrence Martin Margraf	12/01/1944 01/01/1929 02/13/1926 08/05/1940	11/10/2017 07/30/2017 05/12/2017 01/21/2017

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	Jeffery Craig Rich	05/08/1957	04/22/2017
	Charles Robert Strickland	03/30/1930	02/09/2017
	Clarence Anton Tapper	09/04/1928	10/17/2018
Frankfort No. 29	Charles Donald Beougher	05/27/1922	12/05/2016
	Donald Bradenburg	11/30/1928	04/04/2017
	William Hance Brothers	04/01/1949	03/09/2015
	Lewis Alfred Christiansen	02/01/1927	01/16/2014
	John Frederick Holdcraft	10/04/1927	07/03/2017
	William Owen Holdcraft	04/26/1943	10/07/2017
	John Leon Leach, Jr.	06/29/1945	08/24/2016
	Charles William Lone	11/19/1935	06/26/2016
	James Richard McLaughlin	01/21/1942	01/24/2017
	William George Murden	03/08/1925	02/06/2018
	James Conrad Siebert	10/08/1933	09/24/2017
Elkhart No. 31	James Curtis Barber	03/09/1936	10/29/2013
	Lawrence Lee Benner	08/13/1945	12/14/2012
	Harold Scot Billings	08/24/1945	01/01/0000
	Robert Lewis Claybaugh	07/08/1921	12/11/2007
	Richard Lee Haberstick	09/06/1925	05/03/2014
	Dennis Lee Hilton	12/09/1940	09/11/2014
	Rex Dee Hogan	10/07/1931	02/24/2017
	Dwight L. Morris	06/30/1923	01/01/0000
	Robert Gale Sanders	07/06/1947	05/14/2017
	William Ferdnand Vanslager	05/05/1926	01/01/0000
Anderson No. 32	Charles Edward Batty	08/18/1931	08/03/2017
Huntington No. 35	Thomas Michael Herzog	09/24/1949	04/01/2017
Kokomo No. 36	Gary Leon Cornell	06/24/1937	11/21/2017
	Geoffrey Dean Godlove	04/13/1962	01/17/2017
	Michael J. Hebert	12/12/1948	07/03/2017
	Vernon Milton Pickett	02/19/1926	02/07/2018
	Dennis O. Rohrer	09/19/1926	04/05/2017
Greenfield No. 39	Elden P. Apple	04/03/1931	10829/2017
	Evert Stanton Davis	12/29/1942	05/22/2017
	Jim Lee Messer	02/28/1948	06/02/2017
	Edward Allan Price	10/10/1947	09/18/2017
	Walter Paul Worland	01/02/1923	08/10/2017
Angola No. 45	Maurice Boweman	03/18/1924	04/11/2017
	Richard P. Doenges	03/06/1929	06/18/2017
	Richard E. Faulkner, Sr.	03/02/1930	05/29/2017
	Harry Edwin Klink	05/27/1937	07/07/2017
	Steven T. Knight	06/12/1942	07/07/2017
	David L. Lane	01/22/1945	11/08/2017

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Elbert H. Gary No. 57	Ronald Jay Brooks	12/31/1943	06/04/2017
	Donald L. Hawkins	10/06/1936	12/09/2016
	Charles W. La Londe	03/20/1916	01/12/2015
	Louis Frank Miklos	11/02/1916	12/12/2017
	Jeffery Craig Reich	05/08/1957	04/22/2017
	Bela F. Roberts Jr.	08/27/1926	08/22/2008
	George C. Schenn	02/09/1935	09/20/2017
	Glen Joseph Stypula	02/27/1955	09/20/1917
	Frank P. Sutkowski	07/29/1941	07/25/2017
Bloomington No. 63	Gary Douglas Dix	07/16/1946	08/01/2017
	Bruce Andrew Fleetwood	12/25/1958	08/21/2015
	Whitfield Harris Jacobs	05/07/1925	09/14/2016
	George Albert Rusnak	03/30/1927	10/25/2017
	Donald Gene Traub	07/09/1931	07/29/2015
William G. Bray No. 65	Danny Carl Everts	09/29/1938	10/14/2017
	Paul Edward Scott	05/25/1933	06/22/2017
H. E. Lackey No. 67	James Bareford Guffey	03/09/1940	01/04/2017

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**Walter P. Worland, KCT. PGC 94** of Greenfield, IN, passed away on August 10, 2017 at his residence. He was born on January 2, 1923 in Greenfield to the late Walter & Florence (Jackson) Worland

During high school Walter was called to serve his country and enlist in the U.S. Air Force during WWII instead of graduating with his senior class in 1942. He received his high school diploma in March of 2014 from Greenfield-Central High School. Walter married the love of his life, Virginia Griffey on February 16, 1943.

He spent his career at both the Greenfield Daily Reporter serving as Managing Editor for 31 years and the Indiana Masonic Home in Franklin for 14 years serving as their magazine editor.

Walter was a dedicated member of Trinity Park United Methodist Church, a 50-year member of the Hancock Masonic Lodge F&AM #101, Scottish Rite, Order of the Eastern Star, Red Cross of Constantine, Murat Shrine, was Grand Commander of Knights Templar Indiana. He was awarded the distinction of a 33rd Degree Mason. Walter was a long-time member of the Rotary Club of Greenfield, American Legion Post #119, served on the Greenfield City Council, the Planning Commission and the Board of Zoning. He received the coveted Governors Award from Governor Mitch Daniels and Greenfield Mayor Chuck Fewell proclaimed May 18, 2017 as Walter P. Worland Day. Walter made many friends throughout the years, his love and dedication to the Greenfield community is unmatched. Walter's philanthropic spirit will leave a lasting footprint on the Greenfield community. Friends and family surprised Walter with a grand 90th birthday party which he enjoyed so much, he quoted "I hope I live to be 100 so we can have another surprise party".

Burial was at Park Cemetery with Military Rites provided by the Greenfield Veterans Honor Guard. Walter was proud to be the first Major Benefactor to the Hancock Regional Hospital Hospice Unit and in honor of him memorial contributions may be sent to Hancock Regional Hospital Foundation, designate Hospice, 801 North State Street, Greenfield, Indiana 46140.

As Read by Steven J. Barton, KCT, PGC, PDC

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**Paul Allan Cole, KCT, PGC**, 81, of Shelbyville, passed away Friday, October 20, 2017 at Cypress Run Rehab in Morristown, Indiana.

He was born August 7, 1936, in Middletown, Ohio, the son of Rudell and Kennett (Bregleman) Cole. On December 18, 1954, he married his wife of 62 years, Margaret Ann (Jackson) Cole, and she survives.

In addition to Margaret Ann, Paul is survived by his children, Paula Diane Slifer and husband, Rick, of Olathe, Kansas, Mark Allan Jackson Cole and wife, Donna Sue, of Paulding, Ohio, Catherine Mary Collins and husband, Bill, and Matthew Rudell Cole and wife, Michelle, all of Shelbyville; sister, Mary Ann Smith of Middletown, Ohio; grandchildren, Sarah and James Clark, Seth Cole Slifer, Austin Ryan and Amber Collins, Andrew Wayne and Julia Collins, Erica Evaleen and Cody Montgomery, Emily Ann and Karla Cole; great-grandchildren, Henry James Clark, Charlie Walter Clark, Charlotte

Monroe Collins, Benjamin Atticus Collins, Cooper William Collins, Grace Montgomery, Beckett Montgomery, Gabi Cole and Ethan Cole.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother, William Albert Cole.

Paul was baptized at First United Methodist Church on March 25, 1973 and attended Mount Pisgah Baptist Church. He participated in the Emmaus Walk.

He enlisted in the US Army in 1953 and spent six years as a paratrooper and 19 years as a pilot and was a Master Army Aviator and a Master Parachutist. He was selected as Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year in 1959 when he was an Infantry Rifle Platoon Sergeant with the 506th Airborne Infantry, 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia, in June of 1962 and was a Distinguished Graduate of his Officer Candidate Class. He graduated from the US Army Flight Program at Fort Rucker, Alabama in May of 1963. He served two combat tours of duty in Vietnam flying helicopters and has 1,088 combat flying hours. On his first Vietnam tour (1966-67 in Pleiku, South Vietnam), as a young Captain, he was the pilot for Major General John Norton, Commanding General, 11th Avn. Co. 1st Air Cavalry Division Airmobile, First Horse 6 – Papa. On his second Vietnam tour (1970-71 in Da Nang, South Vietnam) as a Major he was the Commanding Officer, B (Lancers) 158th Assault Helicopter Bn., 101st Airborne Division Airmobile, Lancer 6. He was the first State Aviation Advisor for the Indiana National Guard. Paul retired in 1978.

Paul then worked for General Motors as a Skilled Trades Supervisor at the Indianapolis Truck and Bus Plant for 20 years, retiring from GM in 1998.

He completed his Bachelor Degree at the University of Nebraska in 1970 and received a Master of Business Administration from the University of Northwest Missouri in 1975. He graduated from the US Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas in the Class of 1974-75.

Paul's membership in fraternal organizations include the Murat Shrine in Indianapolis, York Rite Commandery in Shelbyville, Scottish Rite in Indianapolis, Lodge No. 759 F & AM in Shelbyville,

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Lodge No. 28 F & AM in the Messick Masonic Temple in Shelbyville, Lodge No. 946 F & AM in Oak Grove, Kentucky, American Legion Post No. 70 in Shelbyville, 40/8, Order of Eastern Star Naamah Chapter No. 73, and the Benevolent and Protection Order of the Elks No. 457 in Shelbyville. He served as the Grand Commander in the Indiana Grand Commandery.

He enjoyed golfing, playing tennis and loved to coach football and baseball in Fort Benning, Georgia. After retirement, he learned to play the piano.

As Read by James L. Dove, KCT, PGC

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**Duane Stucker, KCT, PGC, 87**, of Franklin, formerly of Atterbury and Fairland, passed away Saturday, March 24, 2018 at the Indiana Masonic Home in Franklin.

He was born March 15, 1931, in Bartholomew County, the son of Ray and Helen (Essex) Stucker. On May 8, 1953, he married his wife of 64 years, Mary Jane Young, and she survives.

In addition to Mary Jane, Duane is survived by his sons, Michael Stucker and wife, Beth, of Omaha, Nebraska, and Robert Stucker of Lakeland, Florida; daughter, Debra Petitt of Shelbyville; sisters, Lillian Kissel of Greenfield and Teresa Woods of Shelbyville; seven grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Duane was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Dale Stucker and Lewis Stucker; and brothers-in-law, Pete Kissel and Tom Woods.

He graduated from Fairland High School in 1949.

Duane was a member of Fairland Baptist Church.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, Sergeant First Class, serving in the Vietnam and Korean Wars, retiring in 1971. After retirement, he worked and later retired from the State of Indiana National Guard, armory maintenance. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Duane was a very active member of the following Masonic organizations, he was Past Master of Sugar Creek Lodge No. 279 F.&A.M. and William Hacker Lodge No. 759 F.&A.M.; Past High Priest of Shelby Chapter No. 20 R.A.M. and Marvin L. Isley Chapter No. 169 R.A.M.; Past Illustrious Master of Shelby Council No. 3 R&S Master and Ferrell Council No. 113 R&S Master; Past Commander of the Baldwin Commandery No. 2 K.T. and William G. Bray Commandery No. 65 K.T.; Past Grand Commander of Grand Commandery of Indiana K.T. from 1994-1995; Past Knight Commander of Indiana Past Commandery Association; Past Prior of Robert A Woods Priory No. 62 KYCH; Treasurer of Marvin L. Isley York Rite College No. 129; Deputy Preceptor of St. Andrew Tabernacle No. XXXV HRAKTP; Junior Deacon of St. Martin Council No. UD; Past Patron of Fairland Chapter Order of Eastern Star No. 359; Warder of Columbus Court No. 30 Amaranth; and Vice Chancellor of Knights of Pythias Brotherhood Lodge No. 357. He was also a member of the Knightstown Commandery No. 9 K.T., St. James Conclave Red Cross of Constantine, St. Bartholomew Council No. 295 AMD, Knight Masons Indiana Council No. 15, Indianapolis Valley Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Sahara Grotto Indianapolis, Council of Anointed High Priest, Indiana Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters and The Royal Order of Scotland.

Visitation was from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at Freeman Family Funeral Homes and Crematory, Carmony-Ewing Chapel, 819 S. Harrison St. in Shelbyville, with an Honor Guard of the Knights Templar from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eastern Star service beginning at 7 p.m. followed by the Masonic Services.

Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 29, 2018 at the funeral home.

Interment was at Fairland Cemetery in Fairland, with military graveside rites conducted by the local military committee.

As read by Irvin L. Bitting, KCT, PGC

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**JAMES STEWART De MOND**, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, April 6, 2018. He was born in Coldwater, Mich. in the home of his maternal grandfather, Dr. Frederick W. Stewart, on Jan. 4, 1924, to Raymond John De Mond and Beatrice Gracia (Stewart) De Mond.

The De Mond family enjoyed summers at Ackerson Lake, where Jim developed his great love of fishing. He was a scholar and avid reader, a champion swimmer, and lead the Jackson, Mich. High School swim team in breaststroke and butterfly becoming an All-American Swimmer. De Mond matriculated at Michigan State College in 1941, leaving shortly thereafter to serve with the U.S. Army in the European Theater of operations; James served his country with honor in World War II from 1942 to 1945. He returned from the war to surprise his mother on Thanksgiving Day, 1945.

Following the war, he returned to his home state of Michigan to resume his education at Michigan State College (now MSU). He was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and sang in the men's glee club. His daughter, Camille Marie, was named after the song "Marie" that he sang in competition. Jim met his true love at the MSU Student Union, and married Patricia Ann Bullis on Sept. 4, 1948, following graduation. He continued his studies in their graduate school. He and Pat were loyal Spartan fans, never missed a game, and flew the MSU flag with pride. Jim is a fifth generation Freemason on both sides of his family dating back to the Grand Lodge of Scotland and the Grand Lodge National Française in France. The sword utilized by his son-in-law Dr. William Pond, for his installation as Commander of Fort Wayne Commandery No. 4, was on loan from James De Mond and which sword belonged to his father Raymond J. De Mond, who was knighted in 1922 in Havana, Ill.

He loved his Masonic career and served in both state and national bodies: M.I.P.G. National Grand Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine; Royal Order of Scotland; Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests; Societas Rosicruciana; as well as Past Grand Commander, Knights Templar Indiana. He was awarded the 33 Degree Mason of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, the Order of Purple Cross, the Caleb. B. Smith Award, Grand Lodge of Indiana in addition to numerous other high honors of distinction.

Jim always said being Worshipful Master of his lodge was the highest honor of his 60-year career. In 1951, he began a 27-year career in transportation, leaving his position as director to accept an appointment as Executive Director of the Scottish Rite Valley, serving 17 years until his retirement. Jim was very active with the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 419, where his son, Paul, and grandson, Scott, both achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. He accompanied Paul to Philmont Scout Ranch, as did son-in-law, Bill, with his son, Scott. The De Monds also shared a love of bridge and sailing and sailed the Great Lakes each summer with good friends from college days, Jack and Muriel Rillema. Jim loved family gatherings, grandchildren and dogs abounding, and will always be remembered as a patriarch who delivered the most eloquent Grace. He was a man of high integrity and will be greatly missed.

A faithful Christian, Jim is survived by his loving wife of 70 years, Patricia; son, D. Paul (Diana) De Mond; daughter, Camille (Dr. William) Pond; grandchildren, Evan (Dr. Jill Anderson) De Mond, Jeremy De Mond, Jennifer (Jon-Jon) Knepp, Dr. Gregory (Amy) Pond, Joel Aiken, Scott Pond; and

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great-grandchildren, Beatrice, Walker, Eleanor and Holden Knepp, and Catherine De Mond. Also surviving is his brother, John E. De Mond of Alanson, Mich.; nieces, Laurie (Gerald) Rosen, Cheri (Jeff) Lusic; nephew, Wade (Michelle) De Mond; and grandnieces and -nephews. Also included as family are life-long dear friends, the Rillema Family. Funeral Service is 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 10, 2018, at Trinity Episcopal Church, 611 W. Berry Street, Fort Wayne, Ind. There is no calling at the church prior to the funeral service. Private burial will take place at Waldron Cemetery, Waldron, Mich. Visitation is from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, April 9, 2018, at Trinity Episcopal Church with Masonic Service conducted to follow at 8 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family would prefer donations to Trinity Episcopal Church. Arrangements by Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Home.

As read by Paul W. Friend, KCT, PGC

**Resolution to add Honorary Title Grand Prelate Emeritus**

*TO: The Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Indiana.*

**WHEREAS:** Sir Knight David Cincoski has served as Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana during this past year.

**WHEREAS:** Sir Knight David Cincoski has served with honor and preformed all duties required and requested of him to include articles submitted to the Knight Templar Magazine.

**WHEREAS:** In accordance with Section 277 (a) (a) of the Constitution and Statues of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States and the approval of Grand Master Duane Lee Vaught, contingent on the passage of this Resolution.

**NOW THEREFORE:** Be it known to all Knights Templar wheresoever dispersed, that Sir Knight David Cinciski be officially proclaimed EMINENT GRAND PRELATE EMERITUS, on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D, 2018 A.O. 900, by this Grand Commandery here assembled in its 164<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave.

Fraternally Submitted

Lawrence J. Williams, Grand Commander

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**Credentials Committee Final Report**

To: The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officer and Sir Knights:  
Pursuant to your orders - the Credentials Committee files the following Final Report:

Total Eminent Commanders, Generalissimos & Captain Generals	82
Total Past Commanders (Not otherwise registered)	7
Total Grand officers and Past Grand Commanders (Not otherwise registered)	11
Total Past Grand Commanders (Not otherwise registered)	16
Total eligible to vote –	119

The following Commanderies have representatives missing as follows.

Greencastle #11	CG	South Bend #13	G
LaValette #14	EC, CG	Elkhart #31	G, CG
Anderson #32	G, CG	Angola #45	CG
Bloomington #63	G		

I would like to thank those Sir Knights that assisted with my duties as Credentials Committee

Respectfully Submitted,

Phillip Whisner, Chairman.

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE FINAL REPORT**

Number	Commandery	Office Name	Proxy
1	Raper	E.C. John Freeland	
		G. Earl Hopkins	
		C.G. Carson C. Smith	
2	Baldwin	E.C. Lewis Jack Hill	
		G. Jeffery W. Prairie	
		C.G. Randy Darling	
4	Ft. Wayne	E.C. Jason Miller	
		G. Dathan Reed	
		C.G. Paul Walter	
5	New Albany	E.C. George Weir, Jr.	Proxy
		G. Zachary Milligan	
		C.G. Terry Smith	
6	Connerville	E.C. Jason Ray	
		G. Jerry Fray	
		C.G. Marvin Rees	

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8	Richmond	E.C. Dennis Rigsby G. Robert E. Thomas C.G. David Bertch	
11	Greencastle	E.C. Forrest Brewer G. Martin Evans C.G.	
12	LaPorte	E.C. Joseph Villarreal G. Dion Diakis C.G. Douglas Masterson	
13	South Bend	E.C. Michael Batcher G. C.G. Jerry Jones	Proxy
14	Columbus	E.C. Barry White G. J. D. Leach C.G. Charles London	Proxy
15	LaValette	E.C. G. Christopher Spurgen C.G.	
16	Terre Haute	E.C. Marvin Williams G. Richard Allen C.G. Glenn Miller	Proxy
19	Apollo	E.C. Edward Fodrea G. James Davis C.G. Jason Miller	Proxy Proxy
20	Vincennes	E.C. Larry Sisk G. Neil Ward C.G. David Turner	
21	Grant County	E.C. Michael Winters G. Harold Landers C.G. Dale Harlan	
25	Crawfordsville	E.C. Joseph Sparks G. Jesse Gonzales C.G. Irving Boeglin	Proxy

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28	Valparaiso	E.C.	Tom Johnson	
		G.	Chuck Combi	Proxy
		C.G.	Irvin Bitting	
29	Frankfort	E. C.	Terry Bisping	Proxy
		G.	Virgil Humphrey	Proxy
		C.G.	Donald Henderson	Proxy
31	Elkhart	E.C.	Douglas Green	
		G.		
		C.G.		
32	Anderson	E.C.	Jerry Hawk	
		G.		
		C.G.		
35	Huntington	E.C.	Robert Crispen	
		G.	Steve Maxwell	Proxy
		C.G.	Edward Fodrea	
36	Kokomo	E.C.	Charles Snelser	
		G.	Mark Vickers	Proxy
		C.G.	Barry Clouser	Proxy
39	Greenfield	E.C.	James Fairchild	
		G.	Christopher C. Steel	
		C.G.	Richard Willyard	
42	Bedford	E.C.	J. D. Pinnick	Proxy
		G.	Samuel Hanners	
		C.G.	Mike Robbins	
45	Angola	E.C.	Michael Anderson	
		G.	Jimmie Milleman	
		C.G.		
57	E. H. Gary	E.C.	Gorden C. Hall	
		G.	James Hall	Proxy
		C.G.	Arthur Tuesburg	Proxy
61	Noblesville	E.C.	Andy Hughes	
		G.	Alan Mertz	
		C.G.	Tony Peterson	Proxy

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62	Prather	E.C.	Mark Lewis	
		G.	David Kirschman	
		C.G.	Ryan Franzman	
63	Bloomington	E.C.	Rickey Spoonmore	Proxy
		G.		
		C.G.	Michael Stoner	Proxy
64	Wright	E.C.	David Allen	
		G.	Clifford Adams	
		C.G.	Phillip Stroud	Proxy
65	Wm. G. Bray	E.C.	Patrick Briney	
		G.	James Caster	Proxy
		C.G.	James Catania	Proxy
67	H.E. Lackey	E.C.	John Koren	
		G.	Brian Bates	
		C.G.	Ken Fodre	
68	Greene County	E.C.	Shelby Olvey	
		G.	Gary Jones	Proxy
		C.G.	Keith Jones	

**Elections**

Following the Credentials report, the elections were held with the following results:

**Nomination to the Office of Grand Commander**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Indiana:

It is my distinct pleasure to nominate the name of Terry Lee Kehrer for the office of Grand Commander for the State of Indiana, for the years of 2018 – 2019. He is a member and Past Commander of New Albany Commandery No. 5. He is a member of Tunnel Hill Christian Church, Georgetown, Indiana. He and his wife Wanda are owners of Rainbow Reality. So, I put that into the form of a motion.

James L. Dove, KCT, PGC

It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sir Knight Irvin L. Bitting, KCT, PGC.

The Grand Commander called for other nominations. There being none Sir Knight Barton, moved that the nominations be closed, and a unanimous ballot cast by the Recorder. It was then 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

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**Acceptance and Remarks by the Grand Commander elect**

The Grand Commander then called on Sir Knight Kehrer asking if he accepts and if so are there any remarks he would like to make at this time.

Sir Knights previously as I was going around having Battalion meetings I said it was a win, win situation. If I am elected I win if I am not elected I win because I get to go out fishing and boating. Looks like I got to put them off for another year. Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knights, I do humbly accept.

**Jurisprudence Committee Election of Officers**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Indiana:

I nominate that the current, Grand Generalissimo, Grand Captain General, Grand Senior Warden and Grand Junior Warden be advanced to the next highest office and that the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder maintain their positions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven J. Barton, PGC  
For the Committee

There being no other nominations he then moved that these officers be elected by acclamation. The motion was second and passed.

The Grand Commander then asked each officer if he accepted the offices as elected. They each individually accepted the election.

Sir Knight Thomas D. Johnson was nominated for the office of Grand Junior Warden by Sir Knight Irvin L. Bitting, KCT, PGC Valparaiso Commandery No. 28. The nomination was 2<sup>nd</sup> By Sir Knight James L. Dove, KCT, PGC.

There being no other nominations Sir Knight Bitting then moved that these officers be elected by acclamation. The motion was second and passed

The Grand Commander asked if he did accept the office of Grand Junior Warden. He did accept.

The Grand Commander called nominations for the office of Trustee for a term of 3 year. Sir Knight Steven J. Barton, KCT, PGC. PDC Nominate Sir Knight Larry W. Brown, KCT, PGC PDC for that office. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sir Knight Terry L. Kehrer, DGC. The Grand Commander then called for any other nominations. There being none Sir Knight Barton moved that the nominations be closed. The Grand Commander then called for the vote and Sir Knight Brown was elected. The Grand Commander asked if he accepted the office. He then accepted the election.

Final results of the election are as follows:

Terry L. Kehrer, GC	Michael F. Robbins, DGC	Donnie A. Robinette, GG
Edward Fodrea, GCG	Phillip D. Whisner, GSW	Thomas D. Johnson, GJW
Robert J. Frazer, KCT, PGC, GT	George A. Ingles, Jr, KCT, PGC, GR	

Larry W. Brown KCT, PGC, PDC, was elected Grand Trustee for a term of 3 years.

The Grand Commander then excused the Tellers Committee.

## **Appointments by Grand Commander Elect**

Grand Commander-elect Terry L. Kehrer then announced the following appointments: Stephen P. Kroman, GP; Randal P. Ellington, GStdB; Randy Spaulding, GSwdB; Phillip W. Stroud GW; Randy J. Darling, as GS; Marvin L. Rees, GO.

### **Recess**

The Grand Commander then called for a 10-minute recess

## **Holy Land Pilgrimage Report**

Right Eminent Grand Commander Lawrence J. Williams and the Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Indiana,

The Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee received several applications this year for trip to the Holy Land. We decided on 4 Ministers to go on our Pilgrimage with Raper #1 sending Jerome Bell, Baldwin #2 sending Andrew Kips, Richmond #8 sending Cynthia Ploughe and LaPorte #12 sending Dennis Meyer.

We currently only had Raper #1 actually sponsoring their Minister with Baldwin #2 Pledging their money to sponsor theirs at a later date. We ask that each Commandery donate \$100 to the Holy Land Fund each year to help offset the costs of the Pilgrimage. If we are unable to continue to raise money either by donations, golf outing, sponsorships for these Pilgrimages we will have limit the number of Ministers who go each year to a lower number. We already have a few applications for next year's Pilgrimage that will be considered.

The 2018 Holy Land Pilgrimage Golf outing has been scheduled for June 3<sup>rd</sup> at Bear Chase Golf Club in Shelbyville and a flyer will be sent to each Commandery and placed in the Grand Commandery booklet.

We have also submitted to the Uniform Committee a request to add a Holy Land Pilgrimage Jewel to Section 920 of the Indiana Grand Commandery By-Laws. This jewel would be worn in the same area as the other Meritorious Jewels. This Jewel would be received based on donations made to the Holy Land Fund and will have different donation levels. We have also recommended that the Grand Commandery adopt an actual Holy Land Fund program with a fillable and downloadable PDF file. This file is to be placed on the Grand Commandery Website for the ease being printed out and mailed in. The addition of a Donation Level of \$4000 with a Plaque being received and additional recognition for every \$1000 donated by receiving a separate name plate plaque.

Fraternally Yours in Christian Masonry,

Randal P. Ellington, GPE, GSB, Chairman  
Robert Frazier, PGC  
Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee for Indiana



## **R. Frank Williams Award**

To the R.E. Grand Commander, R.E. Past Grand Commanders, Grand Officers, and Sir Knights:

14 Commanderies Donated a total of \$8,313.00 this year. We would like to Thank all the Commanderies for their donations.

We sent 4 Ministers last year and this year we sent 4 Ministers. It cost roughly \$4000.00 to send a Minister to the Holy Land and our funds are getting very low, so low that we may not be able to send a Minister next year.

The R. Frank Williams Award consist of The Templar Crusader (Ads) and R. Frank Williams Fund for the Commandery giving the most money.

The Templar Crusader Ads have falling off, we did have 14 to 8 Commanderies taking ads, this year we only had 3 Commanderies do an ad.

The winner of the R. Frank Williams Award is Raper # 1 with a total donation of \$3892.00

Fraternally,

Robert J. Frazer, PGC, GT

## **TEMPLAR CRUSADER REPORT**

To; R.E. Grand Commander, R.E. Past Grand Commanders, Grand Officer's and Sir Knights:

It is with heavy heart that I report that the Templar Crusader is almost dead. Started in 1996 with James W. Roberts, R.E. Grand Commander from New Albany.

If we do not get any ads next year this will be the last time that I report to you.

3 Commanderies have sent in ads this year. Just enough to pay for the Templar Crusader.

This is my 22nd year has Editor of the Templar Crusader, all I can say is Thank You for allowing me to serve this Grand Commandery.

All that I ask is, please do not let the Templar Crusader die.

Fraternally,

Robert J. Frazer, PGC, GT  
Editor of Templar Crusader

## **HONORARY MEMBERSHIP**

The Grand Recorder moved that the following be granted Honorary Membership in the Grand Commandery of Indiana. Randall Partin, REGC Kentucky; William J. Smith, PGC, IL; Alfred M. Johnson, HPGC, GR Ohio; Terry Wymer, REGC Ohio; Michael Whiting, REGC Michigan; and John A. Bridegroom, MIGM of Cryptic Masons in IN. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> and Passed, following the Jurisprudence committee approval.

The Grand Commander then distributed the Certificates to those approved above.

Sir Knight Terry Wymer, REGC of Ohio, then brought remarks on behalf of the Red Cords, thanking the Grand Commander and the members of this Grand Commandery for their Hospitality and invited all to attend not only his Grand Conclave but all those who receive the Honorary Membership.

## **CHARTERS AND DISPENSATION COMMITTEE**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers of the Grand Commandery, members of the Grand Commandery and Distinguished Guests:

Greene County Commandery: During last year's Annual Conclave, the Grand Commandery approved the issuing of a Charter to Greene County Commandery. The number assigned to the Commandery by Grand Encampment is No. 68. It was the first Commandery in 24 years to receive a Charter and the first one in 25 years to receive their Charter with the Constituting Ceremony of a New Commandery. Present for the Constituting on May 27, 2017 was the Most Eminent Grand Master of Grand Encampment, Sir Knight Duane Lee Vaught and the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Indiana, Sir Knight Rodney Allen Mann. After the officers preformed the Constituting Ceremony and the Charter presented to the Commandery, everyone sat down to a very nice lunch complements of Greene County Commandery. Following lunch, the Grand Commander opened the Commandery installed the Officers of the Commandery and charged them to go to work and confer the Order of the Order of the Red Cross, the Order of Malta and the Order of the Temple. The Commandery was then closed by Greene County Commandery No. 68.

Michael F. Robbins, Grand Generalissimo, Special Deputy

Lafayette Commandery No. 3: After numerous discussions and proper procedures being performed with unanimous vote by both Commanderies. The merger of Lafayette Commandery No. 3 with Frankfort Commandery No. 29 was completed on August 3, 2017. I will say that Sir Knight Virgil Humphrey, Recorder of Frankfort Commandery No. 29 was of a very great assistance with this merger.

Irvin L. Bitting, KCT, PGC Special Deputy

Johnson County No. 23: Again, with due diligence to proper procedure and a unanimous vote of both Commanderies they approved the merger of Johnson County Commandery No. 23 with Baldwin Commandery No. 2. The merger was complete July 24, 2017. Most of the equipment of the Chapter, Council and Commandery is still in the Lodge in Greenwood.

Donnie A. Robinette, Grand Captain General, Special Deputy

Lawrence V. Kaminsky Commandery U.D. It is our understanding that a Resolution will be introduced at this Conclave to change the name of St. Anslem Commandery U.D. to Lawrence V.

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Kaminsky Commandery U.D. Should that occur, this committee can see no reason to object and therefore recommends the approval of the resolution.

Dispensation No.1 was issued concerning St. Anslem Commander U.D. to continue to operate as a Commandery U.D. as holding Commandery.

Fraternally Submitted

Jack F. Wallace, KCT, PGC Chairman  
Irvin L. Bitting, KCT, PGC  
Michael D. Ritter, KCT, PGC

**Resolution for a Name Change of a Commandery**

*Whereas:* St. Anselm Commandery U.D. has been repurposed to not only act as a holding commandery for a member whose status in an active Commandery has been dissolved due to a merger or closing of their Commandery, to include the members thereof acting as a Commandery of research.

*And whereas:* the St. Anslem Commandery hasn't had a conclave in over five years.

*And Whereas:* the Commandery or its purpose has not been widely known among the Sir Knights of Indiana.

*Therefore, be it resolved that:* St. Anslem Commandery U.D. be renamed Lawrence V. Kaminsky Commandery U.D. for the dual purpose of acting as a holding Commandery and a Commandery of Research of Templary in particular, and Freemasonry in general.

Respectfully Submitted,

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, GR  
Member of St. Anslem Commandery U.D.  
He then moved the approval of this Resolution. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

**Resolution to Change Indiana Law Section 940**

To the Sir Knights of Indiana:

Proposed Law change to "SECTION 940:" of the "Laws of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Indiana"

**Currently reads:**

SECTION 940: For Sir Knights, the chapeau shall be black regulation style for Knights Templar. There shall be placed on the left side of the chapeau a rosette of silk velvet and silk ribbon, with an embroidered silver bullion or Mylar passion cross, with or without rays. The color of the filling of the cross shall be red. The chapeau to be trimmed with two black plumes and one duplex white top plume, to extend three inches beyond the rear peak of the chapeau and to be not less than six and three-quarters inches in width. For Commanders and Past Commanders, the same except that on the

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rosette there shall be an embroidered raised gold bullion or gold Mylar passion cross with rays. The color of the filling of the cross shall be red. There shall be gold slashing one and one-half inches in width on both sides, front and back and gold tassel or front peak. For Grand and Past Grand Officers, the same as for Commanders except that the rosette shall be an embroidered gold bullion or gold Mylar Templar cross with filling color of red or purple appropriate to rank.

**To change to read as follows:**

SECTION 940: For Sir Knights, the chapeau shall be black regulation style for Knights Templar. There shall be placed on the left side of the chapeau a rosette of silk velvet and silk ribbon, with an embroidered silver bullion or Mylar passion cross, with or without rays. The color of the filling of the cross shall be red. The chapeau to be trimmed with two black plumes and one duplex white top plume, to extend three inches beyond the rear peak of the chapeau and to be not less than six and three-quarters inches in width. For Commanders and Past Commanders, the same except that on the rosette there shall be an embroidered raised gold bullion or gold Mylar passion cross with rays. The color of the filling of the cross shall be red. There shall be gold slashing one and one-half inches in width on both sides, front and back and gold tassel or front peak. For Grand and Past Grand Officers, the same as for Commanders except that the rosette shall be an embroidered gold bullion or gold Mylar Templar cross with filling color of red or purple appropriate to rank.

In lieu of the chapeau, the Grand Commandery ~~or a Constituent Commandery~~ of Indiana ~~may adopt~~s a military Pershing style black dress cap.

A military Pershing style black dress cap shall be of the following description:

For Past Grand Commanders: military Pershing style dress cap with black top, black band, and black visor with one row of gold oak leaves and acorns, purple Templar Cross 2 ¼ inches square, fixed to the front of the black band and a gold chin strap attached with gold buttons.

For Grand Commander: Same as above except red Templar Cross.

For Grand Commandery officers: Same as above except plain black visor.

For Commanders and Past Commanders: Same as above except with a 1 3/8 x 2-inch red Passion Cross trimmed in gold with rays.

For all other Sir Knights: Same as above except using a red Passion Cross trimmed in silver with a silver chin strap attached with silver buttons.

~~If a Commandery votes to adopt the “Pershing” style cap,~~ Those Knights who wish to continue to use the traditional head covering will be grandfathered-in and not required to purchase the new style of head covering.

**Rational for the change:**

The rational for this is to save on the cost for the standard uniform. A Pershing style cap can be purchased at a cost of \$80.00 - \$250.00. The cost of a standard chapeau starts at about \$400.00 and up.

I believe that this proposed change is in conformity with the “Constitution, Statutes, Disciplinary Rules, Standing Resolutions, Ceremonies, Forms and Approved Decisions” of the “Grand Encampment of the United States of America”, as outlined in “Chapter XXI, UNIFORMS OF GRAND AND CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES”, under “Section 257, Regulation Uniform”.

Respectfully Submitted

Lawrence J. Williams, Grand Commander

He then moved to adopt this Resolution. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

## **TEMPLAR UNIFORM COMMITTEE**

To: The Right Eminent Grand Commander, All Grand Officers and Past Grand Commanders and all Sir Knights.

After much consideration and consultation with multiple Commanderies and numerous Sir Knights. I have concluded that our Chapeaus are here to stay. My survey was unanimous in that not one Sir Knight wanted to give up his Chapeau for a field cap. For the money every new Sir Knight would rather pay a few more dollars and buy a Chapeau. I also had inquired what if they had a chance to change the Uniform, what would be their desire? Amazingly not one person had a suggestion, they all liked the Uniform as is. So, in conclusion it is my humble opinion that we leave our Uniform and Chapeau as is. This being said, if the Commanderies throughout the state unanimously voted to change to the Field Cap or adopt it as an alternative to the Chapeau this committee would stand behind that decision.

Sir Knight John Bridegroom suggested a new medal to be worn on the left side of our uniform for any Sir Knight that had donated at least \$1000.00 to the Holy Land Pilgrimage Foundation. This as far as I am aware is still under discussion.

Yours Truly,

Thomas D. Johnson, GStB  
Uniform Chairman for the committee

## **GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS COMMITTEE**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers, and Sir Knights:  
The committee on "Grievances and Appeals" is pleased to say that at time we have nothing to report.

### **GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS COMMITTEE**

"SECTION 720: All matters of controversy and grievances brought before the Grand Commandery shall be referred to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, whose duty it shall be to examine into the same and report for the action of the Grand Commandery."

Submitted for the Committee

Steve J. Barton, KCT, PGC, PDC Chairman  
Paul L. Friend, KCT, PGC  
James L. Dove, KCT, PGC

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**Report of the Triennial Committee**

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers, and Sir Knights  
The Triennial Committee reminds the Sir Knights of Indiana that the 67th Triennial Conclave will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana on August 18th - 21st, 2018. The Headquarters for the Triennial will be held at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown, 350 West Maryland Street.

Drill Competition	Saturday, August 18th
Divine Service	Sunday, August 19th @8:00 AM
Grand Master's Reception	Sunday, August 19th that evening
Business Sessions, with the public reception of distinguished guests and Grand Commanders	Monday, August 20th
Business Sessions	Tuesday, August 21st
Grand Master's Banquet	Tuesday, August 21st that evening
Installation of officers	Wednesday, August 22nd following the adjournment of the Sessions

If Indiana wishes to have a State Dinner on Monday evening at the Hotel, you can make reservations directly with the hotel. Be sure to let them know that you are with the Triennial. Reservation forms will be in the Knight Templar magazine. Hope to see all of Indiana Sir Knights in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,  
Triennial Committee  
Larry W. Brown, Chairman

### **Membership Report**

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commander Members, Distinguished Guests, Sir Knights all.

It has been a pleasure to serve the Grand Commandery on the committee for Membership during the 2017/18 year. The members of your committee share the Grand Commandery's view that membership is one of the most important challenges facing our fraternity. In response to the survey that was conducted by the Grand Commandery, it was made clear that two of the most important items that the members wanted to see improved were Masonic Education and Communication. Your committee has worked to address these concerns and feel that there is still much work to do in these areas.

We have endeavored to utilize the Grand Lodge of Indiana's quarterly publication by featuring an article in each issue showing Master Masons the value of the York Rite. This alone gives us the opportunity to connect with nearly 55,000 freemasons in Indiana, the majority of whom are potential members for the York Rite and the Grand Commandery. We have also supported the development of the Commandery of Research, in the hopes of bolstering Templar Research and Education. We feel a dedicated group tasked specifically with Masonic Education relating to Templary will be a useful tool in addressing the memberships desire in this regard.

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While we feel we have moved in a positive direction this year, we encourage the Grand Commandery to continue to push this committee, as there is still much to be done. Due to unforeseen factors, our Chairman this year was unable to remain active and this hindered our progress somewhat. While we recognize that life gets in the way sometimes and understand that our brother's welfare is our first concern, we also know that more progress can be made in the coming years.

The members of the Committee thank you for allowing us to serve, and we remain in the service of the Grand Commandery,

SK John A. Bridegroom, KCT, OPC  
Chairman Pro-tem  
Membership Committee

### **Membership Inactive Participation Report**

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commander Members, Distinguished Guests, Sir Knights all.

Your committee on Inactive Participation began the 2017/18 year with the intention to divide up the membership that was in arrears amongst the committee members and physically call them to discuss how we can retain their membership. We felt this should be the first goal of the Committee, as we recognized that this was the largest source of loss in membership for the Grand Commandery. Unfortunately, our Chairman who spearheaded this effort had to step away from his role due to personal difficulties outside the fraternity. As a result, the effort was not followed up on, and no accounting of any results were gathered. The committee feels that the effort is still a worthy goal and recommends the Grand Commandery revisit it in the coming years.

While the committee on Inactive Participation did not accomplish this goal, we did continue to work with the Membership committee to understand what adds value to a Sir Knights membership. We recommend to the Grand Commandery that they continue to look for opportunities to provide that value, by developing social opportunities for the local commanderies, promote the virtues of the Holy Land Pilgrimage program, encourage local Church activities, promote the emerging leaders program and continually seek ways to recognize outstanding Sir Knights when they demonstrate commitment and zeal for Templary.

When a Sir Knight feels his membership has not only value to his personal development, but that his membership also has value to the overall strength of the Fraternity and its mission, he is much less likely to let his membership lapse.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Grand Commandery,

SK John A. Bridegroom, KCT, OPC  
Chairman Pro-tem  
Inactive Participation Committee

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**Publicity & Public Relations Committee**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers of the Grand Commandery of Indiana, Sir Knights all:

The following items of note has been/continues to be a part of the Publicity & Public Relations Committee's duties of performance:

- Continuing our presence on social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) as a communication tool among our members and to educate the general public on Templary
- Continuing improvement with the Grand Commandery Website
- Writing materials for publication in Indiana Freemason Magazine, Murat Shrine Magazine, and others
- Encouraging local commanderies to get involved in local community events, lodge events, and other fraternal family events in their local area
- New 'trade show' materials have been designed and ordered for use at various Masonic and Public functions, including Founder's Day, Annual Communication, IMH Festival and others.
- Engaging our younger membership to foster ideas of membership recruitment, retention, and overall impression of Templary in Indiana with recommendations to encourage growth and positivity of the Fraternity.
- Will work closely with the new Commandery of Research for items of publication interest

It is the goal of the committee to meet quarterly informally throughout the upcoming Templar year and to formulate a plan of action to increase our public and fraternal awareness.

Fraternally & Sincerely,

Donnie A. Robinette  
Grand Captain General

**Ritual and Tactics Committee Report**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers of the Grand Commandery, Past Grand Commanders, and Sir Knights all:

The Ritual and Tactics Committee completed two tasks during 2017-2018. The Committee reviewed the Order of the Red Cross for discrepancies between the Ritual and the Tactics. I would like to thank the Committee members (listed below) for their assistance in reviewing this Degree and for their input. I would also like to thank Sir Knight John Freeland and Sir Knight Andrew Wiley for their assistance in providing recommendations from the viewpoint of two Sir Knights who perform this Degree regularly.

The Committee also reviewed and rewrote the Battalion Templar Board in order to provide more direction during the toasts. The proposed revisions to the Templar Board were used at the final reception for Battalion #5 in November 2017. Feedback from those who had parts in the ceremony as well as those observing and participating in the toasts was very positive.

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A copy of the revisions to the Order of Red Cross and the Templar Board are included for review.

Fraternally,

Phil Whisner, GJW, Chairman

Tom Johnson, Co-chairman

Mike Anderson

John Bridegroom

James Isles

Carson Smith



## **ILLUSTRIOUS ORDER OF THE RED CROSS**

## **OFFICERS**

Sovereign Master  
Prince Chancellor  
Prince Master of the Palace Master of Cavalry  
Master of Infantry (also Companion Conductor) Excellent High Priest  
Master of Finance Master of Dispatches  
Standard Bearer  
Sword Bearer  
Warder  
Sentinel  
Guards (three or more)

These officers should wear the Ceremonial Robes or in lieu thereof: Green Sash; Belt and Sword; Cap, with the Red Cross of the Order on the front of the same.

If a Commandery is unable to furnish such Ceremonial Robes, then plain civilian dress is to be worn. The Grand Council, the Companion Conductor, the Warder (while guarding the Grand Council), and the Jewish Guards, must not appear in the Red Cross Uniform, as herein given.

## **RED CROSS PARAPHERNALIA**

1. Robes and suitable Head Gear for the Officers of the Palace.
2. Robes for the High Priest and members of the Grand Council
3. An Altar; Bible; Swords; Square and Compasses; Cushion; Fetters; Garb of Slavery; Robe and Coronet for Zerubbabel; portable writing stand; decree and writing quill.
4. Commanderies shall also provide Jewish and Persian Banners, designed as follows:  
Jewish Banner: The Banner of Judah a white background with Lion Rampant thereon.  
  
Persian Banner: White background, the blazing sun in the upper half, and three crescents or half- moons in the lower half, designs in gold.
5. A practical Bridge.

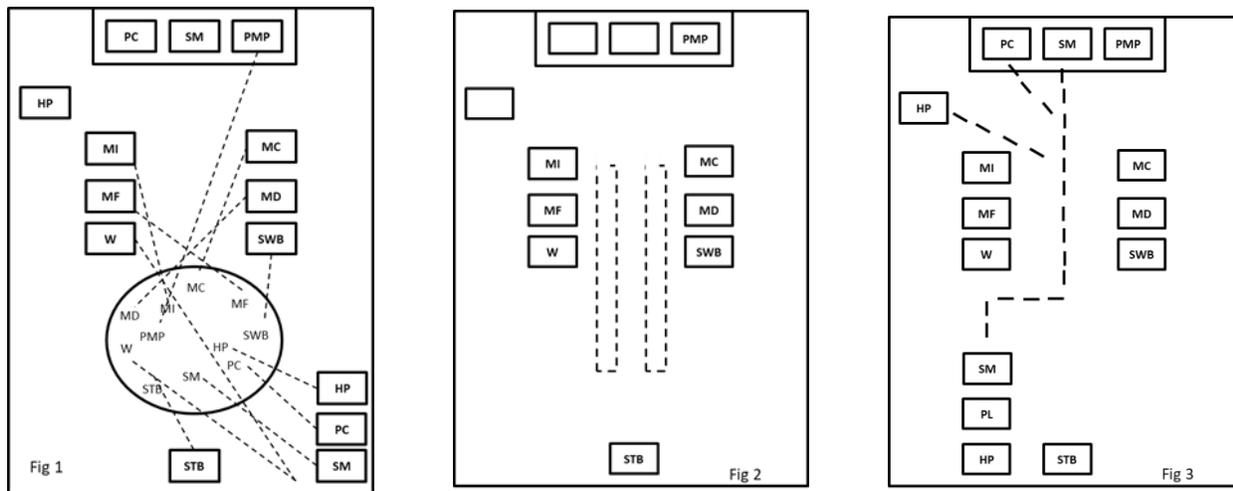
**RED CROSS OPENING**

**SM: Prince Master of the Palace:** (*Bows to S M.*) See that the Audience Chamber is in suitable array for my reception. Prince Chancellor and Excellent High Priest, (*Both bow to SM.*) Accompany me to my apartment. (*Leave through the sentinel's door*)

**PMP: (In Audience Chamber.) Companion Warder** (*Bow to PMP.*) Sound the assembly. (PMP goes to his station in the East.)

**W: (goes to Sentinel's door) Companions Assemble.** (*Closes door and returns to his station.*)

**PMP: (From his station.) Officers take your Stations. Companions be seated.** (*See Fig. 1*)



**PURGING THE AUDIENCE CHAMBER**

**PMP: Companion Master of Cavalry** (*Rises, Ex bow*) **Companion Master of Infantry** (*Rises, Ex Bow*) Are all present....? (*Master of Cavalry examines those on the South; Master of Infantry those on the North. When opposite each other in the West, Master of Infantry will report to Master of Cavalry; then both proceed to their stations; the Master of Cavalry reports.*)

**MC: Prince Master of the Palace,** (*Ex bow*) all present.... (*Both seated.*)

**POSTING THE SENTINEL**

**PMP: Companion Warder:** (*Rises, Ex bow*) **Post the Sentinel.** .. (*Warder goes to the door, informs the Sentinel, closes door, gives 8 knocks, Sentinel answers with 8 knocks, Warder resumes station and reports.*)

**W: Prince Master of the Palace,** (*Ex bow*) **The Sentinel ...** (*seated.*)

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**RECEPTION OF THE SOVEREIGN MASTER**

**PMP: Companion Master of Cavalry:** (*Rises, Ex bow*) **Form the lines....**

**MC:** (*Draws his Sword*) **Officers, ATTEN-TION.** (*Officers come to attention in their station*) **Officers, Draw, SWORDS.** (*The officers draw swords and come to carry*) **Form the lines for the reception of the Sovereign Master, into lines March.** (*Officers take one step forward and stop.*) (*Fig 2*)

**SM:** (*When the lines are formed, SM enters and proceeds between the lines to his station.*) (*Fig 3*)

**W:** (*When the Sovereign Master enters, the Warder will announce*) **The Sovereign Master...**

**MC:** (*When the Sovereign Master is at the Foot of the Line, the MC will announce.*)

**Officers Present, SWORDS**

**SM:** (*When the Sovereign Master has reached his station in the East he will command.*) **Carry, Swords. Let the Word be communicated.** *Sovereign Master takes his seat while these tests are being made by the Prince Master of the Palace. For manner of communicating the words, see " The Work"*

**PMP: First Division: Communicate ... Guard. Carry, SWORDS. PMP: Second Division: Communicate ... Guard. Carry, SWORDS. PMP: First Division: Communicate ... Guard. Carry, SWORDS. PMP: Second Division Communicate... Guard. Carry, SWORDS.**

**PMP:** (*Faces the SM, bows.*) **Sovereign Master: Your order...** (*Faces west.*)

**SM:** (*Rising*) **Companions: ATTEN-TION. Order, Swords, Un-Cover. Excellent High Priest: lead our devotion.**

**HP:** **Almighty and Eternal... Amen.** (*All respond.*) **Amen.**

**SM:** **Companions Re-cover. Carry, Swords. Return, Swords. Companions be seated.** (*The lines dismissed by the command:*)

**SM:** **Prince Master of the Palace,** (*PMP faces SM, Bows.*) **It is my order...** (*PMP draws sword, faces West*)

**PMP:** **Companions ATTEN-TION, It is the order...Present, Swords**

**PMP:** (*Faces SM*) **Sovereign Master,** (*Sword salutes & reports.*) **Your order has been executed.** (*Faces West*)

**SM:**(*Rising.*) **I now declare...at end, Carry, Swords**

**W:** (*Goes to door, opens door and says:*) **Companion Sentinel...** (*Warder closes door, gives 8 knocks, Sentinel answered with 8 knocks. Warder resumes station and reports.*)

**W:** **Sovereign Master:** (*Sword Salute*) **Your order has been obeyed.**

**SM:** **Companions, Return, Swords. Be seated.**

FULL CEREMONIAL

**SM: Companion Warder:** *(Rises, Faces SM, Bows)* Ascertain... *(Warder ascertains from Sentinel, returns to station, and reports.)*

**W: Sovereign Master: Companion \_\_\_\_\_, Royal Arch Mason, is ...** *(Bows, Seated)*

**SM: Companion Master of Dispatches** *(Rises, faces SM bows.)* Has the Candidate complied ...?

**MD: He has, Sovereign Master.** *(Bows, seated.)*

**SM: Companions, if there be no objection...** *(Pauses)* There being no objection,  
**Companion Master of Infantry:** *(Rises, faces SM bows)* Retire and prepare  
**Companion, — — — —** for reception into this Order *(Bows, retires through the sentinel door and prepares the Candidate in the preparation room.)*

FORM JEWISH COUNCIL

**SM: Let the Grand Council be formed in the Council Hall, under the direction of our Excellent High Priest** *(The Grand Council will be formed in the apartment intended for that purpose, thus: The High Priest goes thither, put, on his robes and takes his seat on the dais.) (The Warder, and a sufficient number to form the Council, accompanies him and all put on Jewish robes. Warder takes station near the door, and the Companions take seats in equal number on each side, in front of the High Priest, and face inward.)*

**CC:** *(The Master of Infantry, who now becomes and will be styled, "Companion Conductor," will say to the Candidate:)* Companion, I am now to become your Conductor. I will, therefore... *(When all is in readiness)*

**HP: (\* \* \*) Companions, by virtue of the power in me vested, I now declare this Grand Council open. Companion Warder** *(Rises, Faces HP and Bows)* You will so proclaim. *(Bows, Goes to preparation room Door.)*

**W:** *(Opens the door so that the Candidate may hear and says.)* By order of the Excellent High Priest, I proclaim the Grand Council now open. *(Closes door and resumes station.)*

**HP: Companions, the Grand Council is now in session.**

**CC:** *(Having prepared the Candidate by clothing him as a Royal Arch Mason, the Companion Conductor makes an alarm (\* \* \* \* \*)).*

**W:** *(Rises, Faces H.P., Bows)* Excellent High Priest There is an alarm.

**HP: Companion Warder, Attend to the alarm.** *(Warder goes to preparation room opens door and enters preparation room and says.)*

**W: Who comes here?**

**CC: Companion, \_\_\_\_\_, who, having...**

**W: Await the order of the Excellent High Priest.**

**W:** *(Returns Inside closes door returns to station and reports.)* **Excellent High Priest, (Bows) The alarm..**

**HP: Admit him.**

**W:** *(Returns to door, opening it and says)* **You have permission to enter.** *(Companion Conductor and Candidate enter and take position, standing at foot of Council opposite the High Priest.) (Warder returns to his station and is seated) (CC and candidate remain standing through the address of HP)*

### HIGH PRIEST'S ADDRESS

**HP: Companions, the Council here assembled ....  
Are you willing to assume ....?**

**Cand: I am.**

**HP: Zerubbabel, you will then be seated...** *(Companion Conductor and Zerubbabel take seats with Council.)*

### READING

**HP:** *(Reads)* **Now in the second month.. .**

**HP:** **You see, Companions, how our .....Let him now speak.** *(Companion Conductor and Zerubbabel arise, and Companion Conductor speaks for Zerubbabel)*

**CC:** **Excellent High Priest, our Sovereign Lord, Darius.... or impeded in our noble and glorious work.** *(Companion Conductor and Zerubbabel are seated.)*

*[At this point, insert optional lecture found in the back of the Ritual on page 174]*

**HP:** **Companions you have heard the generous offer of Zerubbabel. Do you accept?**

**COUNCIL** *(In unison)* **WE DO!**

**HP:** *(Rising.)* **Companion Zerubbabel,** *(Companion Conductor and Companion Zerubbabel both rise)* **this Council with joy accepts your noble and generous offer... answer me truly:**

**HP. Do you... ?**

**Z: I do.**

**HP. Do you... ?**

**Z: I do.**

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**HP: Having knowledge....! will invest you with a sword. Let Zerubbabel be girded.**  
(Companion Conductor clasps a belt, with scabbard attached, around Zerubbabel)

**HP: (*Handing Zerubbabel a sword.*) Receive this sword...**

**HP. I will now invest you with this Green Sash.** (*Place Sash over Zerubbabel neck and across his body under his left arm*) Accept ....

**The Companion Warder will now .....**

**W: (*Rises, Draw: Sword and goes to Zerubbabel.*) Draw, SWORD; Companion, the Pass... Communicate! Carry, SWORDS.** (*Warder returns to his station and is seated.*)

**HP: Zerubbabel, you are now....**

**CC: Zerubbabel, follow me.** (*Companion Conductor and Zerubbabel exit through the sentinel door. Before starting the journey, Companion Conductor instructs Zerubbabel what answer to give when challenged*)

**HP: (\* \* \*) I now declare this Grand Council closed. (\*)** (*High Priest and Council take off robes and return to the Audience Chamber.*)

## **JOURNEY**

(Companion Conductor and Zerubbabel enter through the preparation room door and approach the first guard.)

**First Guard: Halt! Who comes there? Z: A friend.**

**First Guard: Advance, .....**

**Z: (*Jewish Pass*)**

**First Guard: Correct;** (*Come to Carry, two steps to the right, left face, sword port.*) **Pass on.**  
(*After CC passes 1<sup>ST</sup> G, carry sword, one step forward, right face, and continue marching.*)

**Z: (*approaches the second guard.*)**

**Second Guard: Halt! Who comes there?**

**Z: A friend.**

**Second Guard: Advance, .....**

**Z: (*Jewish Pass.*)**

**Second Guard;** (*Come to Carry, two steps to the right, left face, sword port.*) **Correct; Pass on.**  
(*After CC passes SG, carry sword, one step forward, right face, and continue marching.*)

**CC: (*At the Bridge.*) Zerubbabel, you have now reached the river... (When Commanderies have Banners, the following may be inserted:) On this side you perceive..... (Z crosses the Bridge and meets Persian Guard, other guards nearby.)**

**Persian Guard: Halt! Who comes there?**

**Z: A friend.**

**Persian Guard: Advance, .....**

*(Persian Guard will command a repetition of the Countersign, which Zerubbabel attempts to give, with a harsh WHAT! after second effort. Then:)*

**Persian Guard: Ho Guards! ... ..**

*(Guards rush to Zerubbabel, seize him and deprive him of his sword and sash. The Companion Conductor moves to his side and responds for the prisoner.)*

**CC: Why treat me thus.... Persian Guard: Who are you, then? CC: A Prince...**

**Persian Guard: You a Prince... .?**

**CC: Jerusalem.**

**Persian Guard: What is your name?**

**CC: Zerubbabel.**

**Persian Guard: What do you desire?**

**CC: An audience...**

**Persian Guard: Only as a....**

**CC: Then lead me...**

**Persian Guard: Guards, clothe.... *(Done)***

**Persian Guard: Captive and slave, follow me. *(The guards, Zerubbabel and CC exit out the sentinel's door, and the Persian council is set up.)***

#### **PERSIAN COUNCIL**

**Persian Guard: *(At Chamber door.)* (\* \* \* \* \*)**

**W: *(Rises, Salutes.)* Sovereign Master! There is an alarm.**

**SM: Companion Warder! Attend to the alarm.**

**W: *(Goes to preparation room door opens it and says.)* Who comes here?**

**Persian Guard: A detachment of his Majesty's guards, who.... W: Who is he?**

**Persian Guard: He claims ....**

**W:** *(To Zerubbabel.)* Where...

**CC:** Jerusalem.

**W:** What... ?

**CC:** Z.....

**W:** What is your desire?

**CC:** An audience...

**W:** Your request...

**W:** *(Closes door, returns to station, and reports.)* Sovereign Master: The alarm was caused...

**SM:** Who is he?

**W:** He claims....

**SM:** Where...

**W:** J....

**SM:** What...

**W:** Z...

**SM:** *(Surprised.)* What does....?

**W:** An audience.....*(After MC takes Companion, W returns to his station, and is seated.)*

**SM:** Companion MC *(Master of Cavalry arises, Salutes)* you will repair ....

**MC:***(Proceeds to preparation room and exits and says.)* Is he... ?

**Persian Guard:** He is not.

**MC:** Then follow me. *(Master of Cavalry now takes command of the Guards, who, with the captive enters the palace. They halt before the Sovereign Master. Sword and sash are carried into the palace by one of the Guards.)*

**MC:** *(Saluting.)* Sovereign Master, I have brought....

**SM:** *(Scrutinizing Zerubbabel.)* This is no enemy! It is indeed Z.....

**CC:** Oh King! Live forever! The tears and complaints...

**SM:** Zerubbabel, I have often reflected...

CC: Sovereign Master, when our....

SM: Zerubbabel, your virtue.... are free. *(May extend scepter)* Guards: *(Two Guards step right and left of Zerubbabel.)* Strike off those chains! *(Sovereign Master pauses until Guards remove fetters.)* Remove that garb of slavery! *(Done)* May these never again disgrace so pure a Mason, so noble a Prince.

SM: Prince Master of the Palace, Bring forth a.....

PMP: *(Putting robe and coronet on Z.)* Thus shall it be done..... *(This may be sung.)*

SM: Z, we... *(Master of the Palace conducts Zerubbabel to a seat near the throne.)*

SM: From time immemorial... Which is the greatest: The strength of W... The power of the K... The influence of W.....

SM: Prince Chancellor, what ... ?

PC: *(Arises, bows.)* Sovereign Master, it is the opinion....

SM: Prince Master of the Palace, what is your opinion?

PMP: *(Arises, bows.)* Sovereign Master, it is the opinion....

SM: Prince Zerubbabel, have... ?

CC: *(Companion Conductor and Zerubbabel arise and bow.)* I have, your Majesty. In my humble opinion ...

SM: Sayest thou that.... If so, begin.

PC: *(Arises, bows.)* Oh, ye Princes and Rulers, how exceedingly ...

SM: Prince Chancellor, your ....

PMP: *(Arise, bows.)* It is beyond dispute...

SM: Prince Master of the Palace, your argument is both .....

CC: *(Arises with Zerubbabel and both bow.)* Oh, Princes and Rulers, the .... *(When Companion Conductor concludes, the Prince Chancellor and Prince Master of the Palace will arise and exclaim!)* PC and PMP: *(Together.)* Great is ....!

SM: *(Rising and lifting crown.)* BLESSED .. .. *(Sovereign Master, Prince Chancellor, and Prince Master of the Palace resume their seats.)*

SM: Zerubbabel, ask ....

CC: Oh, King, remember thy vow...

**SM: Prince Zerubbabel...**

**MD:** *(Reads Decree.)*

**Moreover, I make a decree..... I Darius have made a decree; let it be done with speed.**

*(The Companion Conductor now becomes Master of Infantry.)*

**SM: Princes and Rulers, to perpetuate...**

*(Master of Finance brings an Altar, on which is an open Bible with Square and Compasses displayed, and places it in front of the Sovereign Master.)*

**SM: Prince Zerubbabel, you will now... *(All Candidates must participate ill the vow.)***

**SM: You will say..... So help me God, and keep me steadfast. SM: Arise and approach the throne.**

**SM: And now, Zerubbabel, we will...You will kneel on your left knee.**

**SM:** *(Raising his scepter.)* **We now create and constitute....  
Princes and Rulers be seated.**

**SM:** *(With Green Sash in hand.)* **This Green Sash....**

*(The Master of Infantry, who has put on his Red Cross Uniform, approaches with a belt and scabbard and clasps the belt round Zerubbabel.)*

**SM:** *(Taking up Sword.)* **This sword....**

**SM:** *(Resuming his seat.)* **You will now be instructed....These are:**

**The Jewish Pass. (In which you have already been instructed.)**

**The Persian Countersign, (which is that of the Realm.)**

**The Red Cross Word.**

**The Sign, Grip, and Word of a Companion of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.**

**SM: Companion Master of Cavalry *(Rises, Faces SM, Bows)*. You will communicate these as we direct. *(Master of Calvary takes position in front of Zerubbabel.)***

**SM: Draw, SWORDS. *(Done)* The Persian Countersign ..... *(Done)* Carry, SWORDS.**

**SM: The Red Cross Word ... *(Done)* Carry, SWORDS.**

**SM: The Sign, Grip, and Word... *(Done)* Carry, SWORDS. Return, SWORDS. *(Master of Calvary returns to his station, Bows to SM and is seated.)***

**SM: On entering or retiring....**

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**SM: The Banner of this Order.....** (*Done, Returns to seat.*)

**SM:** (*Going to Zerubbabel and taking his hand.*) **And now, Companion \_\_\_\_\_**  
..... (*The Companion is welcomed by the members.*)

**END, FULL CEREMONIAL HISTORICAL LECTURE**

**OPTIONAL LECTURE FOR ILLUSTRIOUS ORDER OF THE RED CROSS:**

**HP: Does the council.....**

**J:** [Rises and bows to HP.] Excellent HP..... [Bows and is seated]

**I:** [Rises and bows to HP.] Excellent HP..... [Bows and is seated]

**H:** [Rises and bows to HP.] Excellent HP..... [Bows and is seated]

**HO:** [Rises and bows to HP.] Excellent HP..... [Bows and is seated]

**OB:** [Rises and bows to HP.] Excellent HP..... [Bows and is seated]

**A:** [Rises and bows to HP.] Excellent HP..... [Bows and is seated]

**HP: What say you.....**

**C COUNCIL (in unison): We do!**

**END OF THE ILLUSTRIOUS ORDER OF THE RED CROSS**

**CLOSING**

**SM: Prince Master of the Palace.** (*PMP Rises, Faces Right, Bows.*) **I am about...** (*Faces West*)

**PMP: Companion Warder** (*Rises, Ex Bow.*) **Inform .....**

**W:** (*Warder goes to door, informs Sentinel, Closes the door, and gives 8 raps, Sentinel answers with 8 raps Warder returns to his station and reports.*)

**W: Prince Master of the Palace** (*Ex Bows.*) **The Sentinel.....** (*Seats himself*)

**PMP:** (*Faces right.*) **Sovereign Master:** (*Bows.*) **The Sentinel is informed.**

**SM: Prince Master of the Palace: Prepare for our devotions.**

**PMP:** (*Faces Left.*) **Companions, ATTEN-TION, Un-cover.**

SM: *(Rises)* Excellent High Priest Lead our devotions.

HP: Closing Prayer

SM: Companions, Re-Cover I now declare this Council of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross closed. Companion Warder *(Bows.)* Inform the Sentinel.

W: *(Goes to door, opens door and says:)* Companion Sentinel: The Council is closed.  
*(Warder returns to station and reports.)*

W: Sovereign Master, *(bows.)* The Sentinel is informed.

SM: Companions: You are dismissed.

### BATTALION TEMPLAR BOARD

The tables should be arranged in a triangle as much as possible. Additional tables can be added back of all sides to accommodate additional members. The Triangle can be used in the center as an altar if desired. If not, then a small table covered with a black cloth can be used. The Holy Bible is opened to Mathew 28, Square and Compasses and Black Cross thereon. Three tall candlesticks representing the three orders of Templary should be used at the points of the table. There should be 4 candles on each of the three principal tables for a total of 12. The candles from the Libation set may be used. The U.S. flag is necessary; the Grand Standard and Beauceant are not but may be placed behind the lectern and to the left of the lectern respectively. *(Figure 13)*

EC: Sir Knights, ATTEN-TION. I am about to convene a conclave of Commandery / Battalion No.\_\_\_\_ at the Templar Board. Sir Knight Sentinel, *(Exchange Salutes)* you will attend to the stated duties of your office *(Exchange Salutes)*

Excellent Prelate, please offer up an invocation to Deity that what we do and of what we partake here this day may be done in His name; remembering those absent from us because of illness and also our departed Fraters.

P: *(Offers suitable prayer.)* Amen

SKs: Amen

EC: Sir Knights be seated and enjoy the fellowship of the festive Templar Board until called to order.

*(Meal follows)*

EC: Sir Knights, I call on you again to give attention to the East. I declare that Commandery / Battalion No.\_\_\_\_ is duly opened in form at Templar Board, requiring all Knights present to govern themselves according to the sublime principles of this Magnanimous Order.

Sir Knight Sentinel, *(Exchange Salutes)* be mindful of your duties. *(Exchange Salutes)*

Sir Knight Captain General, *(Exchange Salutes)* call us to our patriotic duty.

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CG: Sir Knights, ATTEN-TION. Give heed to Sir Knight \_\_\_\_\_ who will review our respect to the flag of our country. *(Templar selected gives flag lecture.)*

CG: Sir Knights, let us pledge our allegiance to the flag.  
Hand, SALUTE ...*(Give pledge)*. Return, RIGHT - Be, SEATED.

EC: Sir Knight Generalissimo, I call upon you to exercise your duties as Sir Knight Hospitaler.

G: The basket of Templar Charity has tonight been designated to \_\_\_\_\_.  
Let us attend to SK \_\_\_\_\_ as he reviews with us the needs and purposes of this philanthropy.

*(Sir Knight chosen, or Generalissimo gives a very brief resume of the chosen philanthropy.)*

G: Sir Knights Standard Bearer and Sword Bearer, you will serve as the Sir Knights Almoner this evening. Remember, Sir Knights, the words of our Blessed Savior, Jesus Christ, who said that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

*(The StdB. and SwdB. will pass the baskets from their positions so that the baskets will arrive at the apex of tile tables where they will receive them and hand them to the Prelate at that time at the lectern. The Prelate will elevate the baskets and says:)*

P: All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee.

### TRADITIONAL TOASTS

The Commander will give explanation of the method of giving the Toasts. To make ready, hold the glass at shoulder height, the arm extended. After the Toast is repeated, take a sip from the glass, then raise the glass to the level of the forehead; move it to the right breast; then to the left breast, then to the center of the breast, thus forming the sign of the Cross. Bring the glass to rest on the table.

EC: Sir Knight Captain General, you will make ready the Toasts.

CG: Sir Knights, **ATTEN-TION**. Raise your glasses.

EC: Sir Knight Generalissimo, do you have a toast?

G: Eminent Commander, I propose a Toast to our Country and our President.

SKs: *SKs repeat the Toast and partake, taking their cue from the Eminent Commander.*

EC: Sir Knights, be seated. *(Speaker will present)*

*A presentation or portion of business may be transacted here.*

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*In each Toast that follows, the same procedure as with the first Toast is followed, with the CG making ready the Toasts.*

CG: Sir Knights, ATTEN-TION. Raise your glasses.

EC: Sir Knight Senior Warden, do you have a toast?

SW: Eminent Commander, I propose a Toast to the Most Worshipful Grand Master and the Craft.

SKs: *SKs repeat the Toast and partake, taking their cue from the Eminent Commander.*

EC: Sir Knight Junior Warden, do you have a toast?

JW: Eminent Commander, I propose a Toast to the Most Eminent Grand Master.

SKs: *SKs repeat the Toast and partake, taking their cue from the Eminent Commander.*

EC: Sir Knight Sword Bearer, do you have a toast?

SWDB: Eminent Commander, I propose a Toast to our Guests.

SKs: *SKs repeat the Toast and partake, taking their cue from the Eminent Commander.*

EC: Sir Knight Warder, do you have a toast?

W: Eminent Commander, I propose a Toast to all Knights Templar wheresoever dispersed.

SKs: *SKs repeat the Toast and partake, taking their cue from the Eminent Commander.*

EC: Sir Knights, we have enjoyed the festive Templar Board, we have reviewed our patriotic duty; we have offered the age-old Toasts; we have received instruction; our evening's fellowship and work are nearly done. It remains only for us to observe proper form in closing the Conclave. Ladies and guests, please rise. Excellent Prelate, dismiss us with a prayer.

P: Now, as we leave this place to resume our labors in the world of men, may the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit go with us and abide with us all, both now and evermore. Amen.

SKs: Amen

EC: This conclave of Commandery / Battalion No. \_\_\_\_\_ is now closed. S.K Sentinel, your work is complete.

Sir Knights, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

SKs: Thanks Be to God. Amen. *(CONCLUSION)*

## **Long Range Planning Committee**

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Past Grand Commanders, and Sir Knights, All.

Your Committee on "Long Range Planning" has been given the task of reviewing the Plan and making suggestions for revisions.

It is believed that this plan is a good plan, but we do not utilize the plan to its full extent. The programs outlined in the plan have merit. We need to find ways to implement them through the rest of the Grand Commandery Committees.

To accomplish this task, we are in the process of:

1. Reviewing the plan for timeframe and timeline updates.
2. Deleting or updating actions that have already been accomplished.
3. Adding actions that need to be accomplished.
4. Providing a check off sheet to detail who has been assigned selected actions for tracking purposes.

Respectfully Submitted,

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## **MASONIC YOUTH REPORT**

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Very Eminent Deputy Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Past Grand Commanders, and Sir Knights.

The Activity of the Masonic Youth is amazing! These very energetic Youth Travel are well versed in their respective offices and are the Future leaders not only in our Fraternity and York Rite, but also in our communities and our Nation and we are very Blessed to be able to support these young boys and girls and young men and young women in their endeavors.

The committee is sad to say that there is very little interaction with our Sir Knights and the Youth. This year witnessed the forming of an Arch of Steel for Rainbow and Jobs Daughters at their annual meetings in Huntington, Indiana and Columbus, Indiana but not so at the DeMolay event. We also formed an Arch for the Leaders of the Youth at the Annual Sweetheart dance, but that is the extent of the Sir Knight involvement.

We have a few Sir Knights that are very active with Jobs Daughters and with the DeMolay as well as the Rainbow Girls, but we can do a better job. As our youth are our future the committee would recommend that we encourage more Sir Knights to participate in events throughout the State and to not just show up at major events, but rather to show up at their regular meetings or a special outing as to represent the Commandery.

Getting back to basics and promoting Christianity with history and our lessons along with flag presentations would help both our exposure as well as our Youth to engrain our values on them as well as to show that we are actually here for their education and support.

Along those lines we were tasked with evaluating the “Sword Program” from Grand Encampment. It is the committee’s recommendation that we purchase the “Sword” and finalize the way the award will be given. The committee further recommends that it not just be ritual based, that it helps the DeMolay retain and keep members along with the award to be given by the entire officer line as much as possible with local Sir Knights also encouraged to attend the ceremony as to give a large presence and show of Support to these Leaders. To accomplish this, we recommend finishing the Award Process and have 2018/2019 be the kick off year for the completion and rely on the State DeMolay office to distribute the contest rules and set the event for awarding the “Sword”

Fraternally Submitted,

Randy W. Spaulding, GW  
Chairman

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**LIFE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers, and Sir Knights all.

The Life Membership Plan of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana has completed its' twenty-eighth year of existence. The following summarizes the plan:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Taken in</u>	<u>Paid Out</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Active</u>	<u>New Adds</u>
1990	\$ 12,170.00	\$ 1,658.00	70	70	70
1991	\$ 6,101.50	\$ 1,658.00	127	127	57
1992	\$ 7,801.50	\$ 2,008.50	101	101	51
1993	\$ 4,461.00	\$ 2,905.00	167	165	20
1994	\$ 3,318.00	\$ 3,190.70	198	192	15
1995	\$ 2,755.00	\$ 3,431.05	213	204	11
1996	\$ 2,153.00	\$ 3,661.10	223	206	11
1997	\$ 6,270.50	\$ 4,069.60	235	212	26
1998	\$ 3,776.00	\$ 4,199.60	261	231	13
1999	\$ 12,060.50	\$ 4,219.60	274	240	29
2000	\$ 3,628.00	\$ 4,965.80	303	252	12
2001	\$ 1,855.00	\$ 4,782.80	315	257	5
2002	\$ 1,878.00	\$ 4,834.30	320	253	5
2003	\$ 884.00	\$ 4,619.95	325	250	3
2004	\$ 4,026.00	\$ 4,412.40	329	243	12
2005	\$ 5,459.00	\$ 4,689.15	342	235	17
2006	\$ 2,399.00	\$ 4,714.90	357	237	7
2007	\$ 3,628.00	\$ 5,417.50	362	229	9
2008	\$ 2,967.00	\$ 6,923.50	373	234	4
2009	\$ 5,612.50	\$ 6,940.50	377	230	11
2010	\$ 2,072.00	\$ 7,172.00	388	218	4
2011	\$ 2,415.00	\$ 7,225.50	392	208	4
2012	\$ 476.00	\$ 6,486.50	397	198	1
2013	\$ 1,852.00	\$ 7,123.50	399	200	2
2014	\$ 00.00	\$ 6,648.00	399	184	0
2015	\$ 00.00	\$ 6,891.00	399	177	0
2016	\$ 00.00	\$ 6,701.50	399	166	0
2017	\$ 00.00	\$ 6,371.75	399	154	0

The Life Membership program was frozen as of April 25, 2014, as of December 31, 2017, a total of 399 life memberships has been issued since the start of the plan. With 245 members deceased, suspended, demitted or becoming 50-year members, the plan currently has 154 active members. No new Life Members have been allowed to join from 2014 to present. The total cash received into the plan as of December 31, 2014, was \$111,831.50. The Grand Trustees are holding the assets in savings accounts. On December 31, 2017, there was \$30,805.45 in assets, \$24,806.45 in a Saving Account. The \$6,000.00 Certificate of Deposit was closed and moved to the General Fund Savings Account in December. In addition, \$371.75 will be transferred from the Life Membership Savings to the General Fund Saving to account for the Life Membership costs of the Annual Per Capita.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie F. Wallace, KCT, PGC,

## **EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Past Grand Commanders, Grand Recorder, Grand Commandery Officers, Deputy Battalion Commanders Sir Knights.

First, I would like to thank the Right Eminent Grand Commander for the honor and privilege of being appointed as this committee chairman

The Right Eminent Grand Commander charged the Education committee with two main tasks for the 2017-2018 templar year.

- 1) To look in to the possibility of set up a commandery of research.

I am pleased to announce that with the help of Right Eminent Grand Commander Lawrence Williams we are very close. First it was decided to rename St. Asylum Commandery UD to the Lawrence V. Kaminsky Commandery of Research UD. Bylaws are completed, and the officer selection is well underway.

- 2) The second item the committee was charged with was to write a Monitor for Commandery. First, we would like to thank all the Sir Knights and other Grand Commandery Officers who have stepped up to assist in this endeavor. By not only their input but the loan of historical material from their personal libraries. The writing is taking a longer time than we first estimated. We are anticipating completion in the 2018-2019 templar year.

Submitted for the committee,

Ed Fodrea GSW  
Education Committee Chair  
Chairman

## **EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE TRIP**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery, of Knights Templar of Indiana

This year's trip was hosted by Grand Commander Larry Williams and Lady Claire with Monica and Tony Peterson serving as guides during the trip. Because of the Grand Commander's interest in Gettysburg, we designed our trip to stay two nights there. We had 31 on the bus with 3 riding in a car nearby. The price for a couple remained the same as the last few years, \$1,275, \$925 for a single and family prices by number.

We gathered in Indianapolis, on Tuesday, March 27th, at the Holiday Inn Express on the southeast side of Indianapolis. We dined together at the nearby Ponderosa restaurant. On Wednesday we headed to West Virginia, toward our first tour, the Temple of Gold. Hidden in the hills, this beautiful Palace is full of stained glass and detailed ornamentation. After viewing the splendors there and learning a bit about its history, we headed for Gettysburg, PA. In Gettysburg we were welcomed for our two-night stay at the brand new Best Western hotel conveniently located in the heart of all the sites of Gettysburg. We went our separate ways to the several restaurants nearby.

Thursday morning, due to a late schedule change, we drove about 30 miles to York, Pennsylvania for our tour of the Harley Davidson factory. We were able to see how two of their models are assembled and then, of course, shop at their gift shop. We had lunch nearby at the Around the Clock restaurant. We returned to Gettysburg where we were free to rest or walk next door to other nearby attractions. In the evening, there were two tours from which to choose, a tour about the Women of Gettysburg and the other about The Aftermath of the Battle, how the town was left destroyed and how it recovered and rebuilt. Because it had been raining all day, we elected to have our tours as presentations at the hotel and they were both fascinating. Everyone, again, elected to have dinner on their own and several chose to take an additional ghost tour around town.

Friday, in the morning we packed the bus for our afternoon departure then toured the battlefields of Gettysburg with a private guide on our own bus. After the tour, we visited the museum with the cyclorama and a movie describing the war. The gift shop and the café were our last experiences in Gettysburg. We left Gettysburg to go to Arlington, VA, to our hotel where we were lodged for the remainder of the trip. That evening, we had our pizza party in the Hospitality Room followed by our night tour of DC.

On Saturday, our traditional wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown was in the morning with the Grand Encampment Banquet on Saturday evening. The trip wrapped up with our Easter Service and march up Shooter's Hill on Easter morning. After the service, we returned to the Hilton, quickly packed our bags and boarded the bus for home. The trip, though a bit on the chilly, wet side was very successful and everyone seemed to enjoy all the different events.

Due to our move to Florida, this was our last trip as coordinators. Debbie and I have enjoyed traveling with all of our guests and have great confidence in the new coordinators. I know that next year will be even better. Thank you for the trust you placed in us for these last six years.

Respectfully submitted by

James Bolinger, PGC

## **LANYARD CORD PROGRAM**

Sometime in the early 1990s then Past Commander Duane L. Vaught put together a DOS based program to track “Top Line Signers” in Indiana. In 1997, then Grand Officer Vaught turned the program over the Past Commander Virgil Humphrey. He installed the program on his tower computer and there it remained until this past year. 20-year-old computer as like people who are 100 years old the end is coming we just don’t know when.

Virgil had talked to me several times about the issue of going from his old computer to his new computer, where he could get MMS, and back to the old then the new to get his reports typed-up to distribute the Lanyard cords for top line signers, and make his report for the Annual Conclave. He found that we could get the old system with some change on his new computer and if necessary add it to another computer as a back-up in case something happened. We needed to get it on one computer and not need to rewrite each time we needed to make a change to the program. Looking at the future of having the information available in “Access.” A program available on Microsoft Office.

To get it out of the R base I contacted Hal Grigdesby who has done many projects for Grand Lodge to help get it changed into files we can use and then into Access where we can build programs that are easy to modify and make new programs not requiring a lot of input from Virgil.

The file is now in excel. We still need to move it to Access to make less typing to make reports. My hope is to make that happen during the next year.

According to MMS during the last fiscal year there were 143 Reported Knightings. Of that number I know there were some reported who were knighted in this past years but were picked up this year. I also know there are 15 Knights in one Commandery who do not have a “Top Line Signer” listed. Hopefully soon we can get that corrected.

While there is a great deal of information available and with MMS having a “Top Line Signer Report” which will be down loadable into the Access program, it’s not there yet.

Below is a summation of the Cordes issued during the last fiscal year, and the number of 1<sup>st</sup> time Top Line Signers.

Total White Cords April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018	= 10
Total Silver Cords April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018	= 2
Total Gold Cords April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018	= 5
Total Red Cords April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018	= 3
Total Green & Red Cords April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018	= 1
Total Cords issued April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018	= 21

1<sup>st</sup> time Top Line Signers = 11

Respectfully submitted

George A. Ingles, KCT, PGC, GR  
Virgil G. Humphrey, KTC, KCTH  
Chairman Lanyard Cord Program, Aide to GC

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**EYE FOUNDATION**

The monthly Eye Foundation Reports from Grand Encampment gives a bit more than just dollar figures of income for the Eye Foundation.

As of March 31, 2017, there are a total of 82,205 members of the Grand Encampment worldwide. The largest is Ohio with 7,143 Sir Knights, next is Texas with 6,356, then Pennsylvania with 4,318, Tennessee with 3,356, Illinois with 3,597, Florida with 3,191 and Indiana comes in number 7 with 3,009 Sir Knights.

Active member Per Capita Average we are 36<sup>th</sup> with \$6.20 per member. Our total not counting Trusts and Wills is \$18,660.42 making us 14<sup>th</sup>. We are ranked as 20<sup>th</sup> in total giving which includes Trusts and Wills.

What isn't looked at, is the amount given for the Holy Land. If we were to include the cost of sending the 4 ministers this year to the Holy Land we would be over \$30,000.00 and probably ranked as 7<sup>th</sup> not 14<sup>th</sup>. Many Grand Commanderies do not participate in sending ministers to the Holy Land on the scale of Indiana and thus their number to the Eye Foundation is higher than Indiana.

No matter the dollar amount, the fact is Indiana Templar are a giving group of Sir Knights working for the betterment of our fellowman.

Fraternally Submitted  
For the Committee

## **WEBSITE COMMITTEE**

**To:** SK Lawrence J. Williams - Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers of the Grand Commandery, Past Grand Commanders, Officers and Sir Knights all:

First, I would like to thank you all for the opportunity to serve the Commandery as a Webmaster and to thank Sir Knight Kurt Begue for all the help during the pre-transition and transition period.

Without his help the transfer would not have been so easy, quick and smooth.

The transfer was performed on January 11<sup>th</sup> in a course of few hours. The transfer was not just a simple change of one Webmaster to another, but it involved a complete transfer of all the files, setup of new domain configuration on the new servers, and domain name propagation, as well as needed adjustments after the transfer was completed. The whole process went smoothly and without major technical difficulties. We did experience some residual problems for some users, but those problems were overcome in only several hours as they were of a Domain Name Servers (DNS) cash nature. These problems are common and expected in cases when websites are moved from one host server to another and usually resolve themselves within 24 to 48 hours. Our website was properly visible in less than that amount of time.

**To summarize the transfer:** The website <http://www.indianaknightstemplar.com/> and <http://www.indianaknightstemplar.org/> are now hosted at In Motion Hosting with headquarters in California and data centers on the East Coast as well. This configuration means that the data content of the website is replicated on several secure places in the same time which ensures a zero-down time.

The last step of the transition would be the transfer of ownership of the domain names. An agreement was reached that the ownership should be transferred to the Commandery, rather than to a person. This step needs to be performed by Sir Knight Kurt Begue and when completed the credentials to the domain name registration account should be shared with the Webmaster.

### **Maintenance and Updates:**

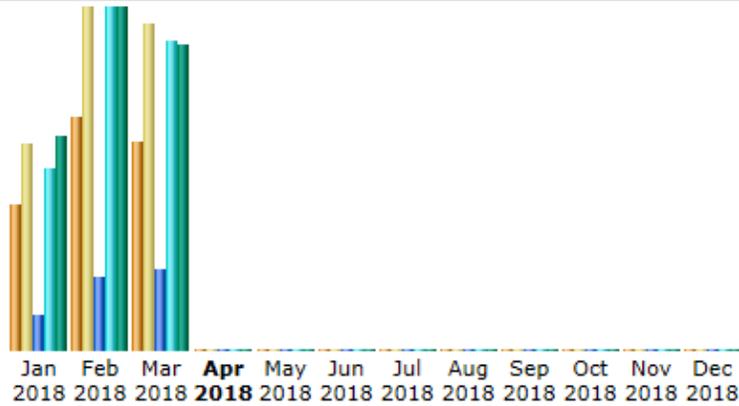
The updates to the website in this period after the transfer were minimal. Only few documents and newsletters were uploaded as well as the pages and forms for the upcoming Annual Assembly and the Annual Conclave.

### **Overall Performance of Website:**

In the previous time period from mid-January until end of March (this report was completed on April 1<sup>st</sup>) the performance of the website was flawless with no downtime or any significant technical problems (except the cash problems in the very first days after the transfer to the new servers, as I have already mentioned above). Having in mind that the count of visitors and other relevant statistics began on January 11<sup>th</sup>, the numbers in January are a bit lower than the average.

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Monthly history



Month	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
Jan 2018	868	1,230	2,399	12,564	3.89 GB
Feb 2018	1,387	2,043	5,007	23,580	6.24 GB
Mar 2018	1,242	1,941	5,626	21,254	5.58 GB
<b>Apr 2018</b>	10	11	15	53	25.75 MB
May 2018	0	0	0	0	0
Jun 2018	0	0	0	0	0
Jul 2018	0	0	0	0	0
Aug 2018	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 2018	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 2018	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 2018	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 2018	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,507</b>	<b>5,225</b>	<b>13,047</b>	<b>57,451</b>	<b>15.74 GB</b>

**Plans for the future:**

As we see great improvements in the web presence of different Masonic bodies, including the Grand Lodge of Indiana as well as the Scottish Rite NJ website, I have already devised a plan and started working, behind the scenes, on a new web concept for the Commandery website.

This concept will allow our visitors to get the information they are seeking, faster, and on many different devices with the same ease. Ways for direct payments will be available as well as customized calendars with registration forms which will provide instant transfer of data and funds avoiding altogether the need of printing static forms and mailing them to the Commandery office. All these new tools are proven to be easy for use by a wide range of generations because they are simple and intuitive. We will, of course, keep the options open for those who prefer to send a check and print their mail before taking it to the post office.

The new website will allow different levels of security and access which by itself opens up a myriad of opportunities for organization and presenting of data and content.

Once this project is in a stage to be presented, it will be presented to the Grand Officers for approval.

Once approved and revealed, it will be much easier to add and edit material. Than we can add to the website every single event happening throughout the state, images, organized in galleries, and text, and keep the website fresh, updated and interesting for all Sir Knights and the public.

Respectfully and Fraternaly Submitted for the Committee, Lucas Pacukovski – Webmaster.

## **York Rite Coordination Committee**

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Past Grand Commanders, and Sir Knights, All.

Your Committee on "York Rite Coordination" has been given the following tasks:

1. Define goals as to what we (Grand Commandery) would like to see from the other Grand Bodies (Joint Projects).
2. Work with the other Grand Bodies to make a joint "Facebook" page.
3. Work with the other Grand Bodies to make a joint "York Rite" web page.

In support of these tasks:

1. Continue the effort to have a combined Grand York Rite Session.
2. Have adjoining tables at the Indiana Masonic Home Festival Day, at Grand Lodge and any other function.
3. Make sure that each Web site page has a link to the other Grand Bodies.
4. There is already an Indiana York Rite Family page: <http://www.yorkrite.com/in/>. This website has had 43,504 hits since January 26, 2004. The Webmaster of the site is Dan Pushee.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lawrence Williams, GC, Chair  
Terry L. Kehrer, DGC  
Mike Robbins, GG  
Donald Olvey, PGC

## **MASONIC HOME NATIVITY SCENE**

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Very Eminent Deputy Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Past Grand Commanders, and Sir Knights.

The Nativity Scene at Compass Park was once again set up by the Franklin DeMolay Chapter and Sir Knights at the Indiana Masonic Home Circle this year for the Christmas Season and was also taken down and stored until next year. It was enjoyed by all at the home and visitors who enjoyed seeing it displayed.

Fraternally Submitted,

Randy W. Spaulding, GW, Chairman

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Commandery	Date of Inspection	INSPECTION - RECEPTION TALLY SHEET 2017-18					By-Laws Updated	Activity Sheet Sub-Categories					Total Activity Sheet Score	Conferral of Order Score	Ritualistic Score	Date Order Conferred	Members Attending for Order	Total Attending for Order	Cmdry's Represented for Order	Inspecting Officer
		Members Insp-Recep Attendance	Total Insp-Recep Attendance	Commanderies Represented	Activities	Membership		Attendance	Relief	Communications	Leadership									
<b>Battalion 1</b>	<b>Johnson</b>																			
LaPorte 12	10/27/17	279.5	14	21	2	7/6/05	1300	302	76	275	25	77	2055.0	341.0	620.5	10/27/17	14	21	2	Johnson
South Bend 13	10/10/17	151.0	6	25	6	7/3/05	550	40	50	20	0	0	660.0	195.0	346.0	10/10/17	6	25	6	Johnson
Valparaiso 28	11/20/17	210.0	14	22	4	7/5/05	1125	270	87	10	50	40	1582.0	456.0	666.0	11/20/17	14	22	4	Fodrea
Eikhart 31	10/10/17	206.0	13	25	6	7/9/05	1900	140	67	315	25	125	2572.0	407.0	613.0	10/10/17	13	25	6	Johnson
E.H. Gary 57	11/20/17	100.0	6	22	4	6/27/05	350	50	85	50	25	20	580.0	197.0	297.0	11/20/17	6	22	4	Fodrea
<b>Battalion 2</b>	<b>Fodrea</b>																			
Ft. Wayne 4	10/21/17	158.0	6	16	6		800	55	82	330	50	40	1357.0	260.0	418.0	10/21/17	6	16	6	Johnson
Apollo 19	10/4/17	184.0	15	19	4		1650	195	85	50	25	30	2035.0	450.0	634.0	10/4/17	8	19	4	Fodrea
Huntington 35	10/21/17	260.0	2	16	6		75	150	50	0	0	0	275.0	98.0	358.0	10/21/17	2	16	6	Johnson
Angola 45	10/4/17	184.0	7	19	7		1275	220	140	150	25	80	1890.0	450.0	634.0	10/4/17	7	19	7	Fodrea
<b>Battalion 3</b>	<b>Spaulding</b>																			
Grant County 21	11/18/17	152	6	27	7		150	80	55	150	25	50	510.0	160.0	312.0	11/18/17	6	27	7	Spaulding
Anderson 32	11/18/17	163	6	23	7		275	0	5	25	0	65	370.0	252.0	415.0	11/18/17	6	23	7	Peterson
Kokomo 31	11/18/17	127	9	27	7		300	0	5	25	0	65	395.0	160.0	287.0	11/18/17	9	27	7	Spaulding
Nobelsville 61	11/18/17	163.0	7	23	7		100	0	0	0	0	55	155.0	252.0	415.0	11/18/17	7	23	7	Peterson

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RECEPTION TALLY SHEET 2017-18																				
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							Activities	Membership	Attendance	Relief	Communications									Leadership
<b>Battalion 4</b>																				
	<b>Ellington</b>																			
Greencastle 11	11/1/2017	0.0	1	15	6		350	40	20	0	25	85	520.0	0.0	0.0	Instructional	1	15	6	<b>Ellington</b>
Terre Haute 16	10/7/2017	130.0	12	16	3		650	600	8	0	50	40	1348.0	338.0	468.0	10/07/17	12	16	3	<b>Ellington</b>
Crawfordsville 25	11/1/2017	188.0	6	15	6	10/6/16	150	0	70	0	0	25	245.0	0.0	188.0	Instructional	6	15	6	<b>Ellington</b>
Frankfort 29	9/6/2017	186.5	9	11	2		1575	1170	66	190	25	50	3076.0	371.0	557.5	12/20/17	10	20	9	<b>Ellington</b>
<b>Battalion 5</b>																				
<b>Whisner</b>																				
Raper 1	11/14/2017	199.0	11	13	10	1956	2475	470	56	490	0	105	3596.0	321.0	520.0	11/14/17	10	18	7	<b>Peterson</b>
Prather 62	9/18/2017	197.0	14	17	3	7/3/05	950	800	30	50	75	125	2030.0	191.0	388.0	9/8/17	14	17	3	<b>Whisner</b>
Bray 65	12/14/2017	179.0	11	13	3	2015	1600	130	55	240	25	175	2225.0	303.0	482.0	11/10/17	9	17	4	<b>Whisner</b>
Lackey 67						2016	475	475	60	50	75	95	1230.0	318.0	0.0	11/20/17	12	23	7	<b>Whisner</b>
<b>Battalion 6</b>																				
<b>Robinette</b>																				
Baldwin 2	11/27/2017	185.8	13	15	3.0	2017	1500	335	55	535	125	110	2660.0		185.8	11/20/17	13	13	1	<b>Robinette</b>
Connersville 6	11/13/2017	0	5	16	3	2017	300	0	105	270	0	0	675.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	<b>Robinette</b>
Richmond 10	11/13/2017	149.0	8	8	3	2017	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	149.0	0.0	8.0	0.0	0	<b>Robinette</b>
Greenfield 39	11/4/2017	182	11	15	3	2017	600	205	75	100	25	30	1035.0	414.0	596.0	11/04/17	11	15	30	<b>Robinette</b>
<b>RECEPTION TALLY SHEET 2017-18</b>																				

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Commandery	Date of Inspection	Opening - Closing Score	Members Insp-Recap Attendance	Total Insp-Recap Attendance	Commanderes Represented	By-Laws Updated	Activity Sheet Sub-Categories					Total Activity Sheet Score	Conferral of Order Score	Ritualistic Score	Date of Order	Members Attending for Order	Total Attending for Order	Cmdry's Represented for Order	Inspecting Officer	
							Activities	Membership	Attendance	Relief	Communications									Leadership
<b>Battalion 7</b>	<b>Robbins</b>																			
New Albany 5	10/18/2017	174	2	38	12	6/29/2005	1600	320	16	200	50	60	2246.0	356.0	530.0	8/21/2017	13	26	7	Bitting
Columbus 14	9/21/2017	0.0	5	38	12	7/8/2005	950	150	111	205	50	30	1496.0	0.0	0.0	11/04/17	5	38	12	Bitting
Bedford 42	9/21/2017	165.0	9	38	12	7/2/2005	1075	230	36	110	75	110	1636.0	392.0	557.0	11/04/17	11	38	12	Bitting
Bloomington 63	9/21/2017	95.0	3	38	12	7/8/2005	700	110	80	100	50	45	1085.0	337.0	432.0	11/04/17	6	38	12	Bitting
<b>Battalion 8</b>	<b>Spencer</b>																			
Lavalette 15	10/14/2017		3	7	9		1125	125	17	95	75	65	1502.0		0.0	10/14/17				
Vincennes 20	10/14/2017	112.0	6	3	9		1075	240	86	70	50	40	1561.0	246.0	358.0	10/14/17				
Wright 64	9/6/2017	122.0	7	11	18	5/29/1985	1250	285	130	185	75	30	1955.0	408.0	530.0					
Green County 68	9/16/2017	122.0	9	9	18	5/27/2017	925	315	83	495	50	50	1918.0	408.0	530.0					

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**Drill Committee Report**

Grand Commandery Annual Conclave

**Competitive Drills:** The competitive drills were held on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, at the Columbus Skateland, 2660 N. Talley Road, Columbus, IN under the direction of William Short, PC and Drill Chairman. The following 4 teams competed in the drills:

- |     |                |                       |           |            |                        |
|-----|----------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|------------------------|
| (1) | Greenfield #39 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Class "C" | 874 Points | David Miller, Captain  |
| (2) | Raper #1       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Class "C" | 844 Points | William Short, Captain |
| (3) | Baldwin #2     | 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Class "D" | 971 Points | Randy Darling, Captain |
| (4) | Bedford #42    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Class "D" | 945 Points | J. D. Pinnick, Captain |

Pass-in-Review lineup: Raper #1, Baldwin #2, Bedford #42, and Greenfield #39.

The Awards and scores were passed out at the Banquet Friday night April 21, 2018.

Drill Committee Members:

William H. Short, PC - Chair

Irvin Bitting, PGC

Carson Smith, PC

David L. Miller, PC

J. D. Pinnick, PC

Respectively Submitted,

*William H Short*

Sir Knight William H. Short, PC

It was moved and 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept the report. It passed.

## Patriotic Activities Report

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Past Grand Commanders and Sir Knights All. The following is the list of Patriotic Activities as reported on the Annual Activities Sheets:

Battalion	Commandery	Number	Flag Presentations	Parades	Honor Guards
1	LaPorte	12	4	0	1
1	South Bend	13	0	1	0
1	Valparaiso	28	0	1	1
1	Elkhart	31	0	1	1
1	E. H. Gary	57	0	0	2
	Sub-Total		4	3	5
2	Fort Wayne	4	2	0	1
2	Apollo	19	4	1	0
2	Huntington	35	0	0	0
2	Angola	45	3	1	0
	Sub-Total		9	2	1
3	Grant County	21	0	0	0
3	Anderson	32	0	0	0
3	Kokomo	36	0	0	0
3	Noblesville	61	0	0	0
	Sub-Total		0	0	0
4	Greencastle	11	0	0	0
4	Terre Haute	16	2	0	0
4	Crawfordsville	25	0	0	0
4	Frankfort	29	1	1	0
	Sub-Total		3	1	0
5	Raper	1	10	0	0
5	Prather	62	0	0	0
5	Wm. G. Bray	65	3	0	0
5	Lackey	67	0	0	0
	Sub-Total		13	0	0
6	Baldwin	2	2	0	1
6	Connersville	6	0	0	0
6	Richmond	8	0	0	0
6	Greenfield	39	0	0	1

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	Sub-Total		2	0	2
7	New Albany	5	1	1	0
7	Columbus	14	0	0	0
7	Bedford	42	0	0	0
7	Bloomington	63	1	0	0
	Sub-Total		2	1	0
8	La Valette	15	0	1	1
8	Vincennes	20	2	2	0
8	Wright Greene	64	0	2	0
8	County	68	0	2	0
	Sub-Total		2	7	1
	<b>Totals</b>		<b>35</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas D. Johnson, GStdB. Patriotic Committee.

## **Battalion #1 Report**

To: The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers of the Grand Commandery, Past Grand Commanders, Officers and all Sir Knights.

### Meetings:

Battalion #1 held a meeting on Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017, to discuss the events for the up and coming year. We did a quick walk through on what was expected for our Reception and Inspection. We also discussed LaPorte's 150 yr. Rededication and set a date for that event. June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Battalion #1 held another meeting at LaPorte, all Commanderies were present and we set our Inspection dates and discussed the set up for our Reception. (LaPorte is Hosting). Handed out all the necessary forms that each recorder will need for the Inspections and did a round table on what each Commandery was I need of and what we could do to help each other out. Battalion #1 held another Meeting in LaPorte at 8.00am on Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Only Valparaiso, E.H. Gary and LaPorte were present due to the severe weather conditions. Our Deputy Grand Commander was present and gave his entire outline for the up and coming year. We set our Inspection and Reception dates for this new year. South Bend will be hosting the Reception for this year, all the other commanderies in this battalion are on board to help them out. I have held multiple meetings and phone calls with all my Commanders and Recorders to insure they are up to date on all the reports and responsibilities for this coming year.

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*Status of Commanderies:*

LaPorte #12

3/2/2017, met with LaPorte Commandery, did a 10-man closed inspection practice, went over some final details for the inspection this year. 7/29/2017 did a 150 yr. Rededication and a special Reception for our Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knight Lawrence J. Williams. 8/19/2017 Battalion #1 held a Reception at LaPorte Commandery. 10/27/2017 LaPorte Commandery held their Inspection on the Order of the Temple. LaPorte Commandery is in great shape, a lot of very good hard-working Sir Knights that a willing to help anyone anytime. Just a pleasure to work with and to be around.

South Bend #13

2/16/2017, traveled to South Bend Commandery to discuss the status of their Commandery and what could be done to improve the participation of their membership. 3/16/2017, went back to South Bend to see if there was any improvement from my last visit. They are struggling but trying to move in a positive direction. 8/12/2017, back in South Bend for a Leadership Meeting, sat down with their Commander discussed the status of his Commandery and what could be done to improve the overall performance of their Commandery. They need a lot of help, but also, they need to step up and help themselves. They are going to require a lot of work on all levels. They could be a great Commandery if they get some great leadership from within their own membership.

Valparaiso #28

We meet every Monday night all year long, we have become a very active York-Rite/Commandery. We started a very ambitious one-year regiment in our York-Rite Program. It starts in Jan. and Finishes in Dec. Chapter, Council, and Commandery. Start as a Brother finish as a Sir Knight. It has worked out nicely. I could not be prouder of these dedicated and hard-working Sir Knights in this Commandery. This Commandery has come a long way in the last few years, we are working on some ambitious goals for this coming new year.

Elkhart #31

3/14/2017, traveled to Elkhart Commandery, we discussed the status of their Commandery and their future goals. They Have a new Recorder and he is doing a great job. They are working with South Bend Commandery on their Inspection as a joint effort, nice to see.5/20/2017, they held a 100-yr. birthday party for a Sir Knight who also was a 75-yr. member. What a great time. I sat down with the Commander and Recorder to discuss any concerns they had for this year and what we could do to relieve them. I stay in touch all year either by phone or text. They are a strong Commandery, their focus is good, they are bringing in some younger Sir Knights and training them well. I always look forward to visiting them great food and always a warm welcome.

E.H. Gary #57

I have been there many times throughout this year. There are an older Commandry and are trying to attract younger membership. They have a lot of heart and a very hard working. They do everything they are asked to do and are a pleasure to work with. I always look forward to fellowship with them great food and lots of laughs.

*Summery/Remarks:*

Battalion #1 is in good shape, E.H. Gary is in a growing phase and working hard, Elkhart is strong and willing to help other struggling Commanderies. South Bend need a lot of work from the ground up. They have great potential they just need to focus on their leadership and work as a team. I am confident they can do it, they are starting to put things together. LaPorte and Valparaiso are working on becoming the best Commanderies in the State. They are very pro-active and determined to crush the competition.

Courteously Submitted,

Thomas D. Johnson, Battalion #1 Commander

## **Battalion 2 Report**

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Past Grand Commanders, and Sir Knights.

Battalion 2 consists of Fort Wayne #4, Huntington #35, Apollo #19, Angola #45

All inspections and receptions were conducted and scored as scheduled.

Summary: Battalion 2 had an overall good year.

Angola #45 has had a good year. They have participated in the Tri-State festival. They conferred the degree work and knighted one sir knight. They have participated on parades, flag presentations, and assisted a local OES chapter with a stand at the fair. Angola as always has been faithful in sending ministers, and again sent a minister this year to the Holy Land Pilgrimage.

Apollo #19 has been active this year. Apollo has conferred the degrees and knighted 2 Sir Knights. They have participated in parades, flag presentations including one outside of the Masonic community, and worked at a booth during the local fair. Angola #45 and Apollo #19 participated in a combined inspection. I am pleased to announce that for the first time in a long time, Apollo#19 had enough Sir Knights present to receive a score. Apollo also had elected and installed officers in their respective chairs. These officers were present for inspection and did fairly well, I am pleased to report on their ritualistic and tactical work. Apollo #19 also invited my lady and I to a Christmas program which we had the pleasure of attending. There were 30 persons in attendance. We had good food, read the Christmas story from Luke chapter 2, and enjoyed an evening of cheerful fellowship. I would also like to thank Angola #45 and Apollo #19 for their assistance with the inspection of Fort Wayne #4 and Huntington #35. It was heartwarming to see brothers assisting brothers to complete the degree work.

Fort Wayne #4 has had a challenging year. They hosted the inspection which was a success with the help of Angola and Apollo. They also hosted a reception which was well attended and enjoyable. The featured speaker spoke about the Holy Land Pilgrimage. It was nice to see our Philanthropy at work.

Huntington #35 opened the inspection well and several of their officers were proficient in ritual and tactics. Huntington has been challenged with the move of their temple and an insufficient place to hold practices or degree work. Throughout these challenges, they graciously sent a minister on the pilgrimage.

Overall, I am seeing growth throughout Battalion 2 as the commanderies are receiving petitions and are coming together to confer the degree work.

It is a pleasure to serve as their Battalion Commander.

Fraternal and respectfully submitted,

Ed Fodrea, GSW

Commander Battalion 2

### **Battalion #3**

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Very Eminent Deputy Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Past Grand Commanders, and Sir Knights.

Battalion #3 consists of the following Commanderies:

Grant County #21,

Anderson #32,

Kokomo #36

Noblesville #61

These Four Commanderies are made up of some wonderful Sir Knights both “Old Hats” and Young Bucks! They all four are very enthusiastic and participated in all scheduled events. We held a Battalion Wide Reception for the Grand Commander and all four Commanderies participated and Kokomo #36 did a wonderful job in hosting and performing the requirements as set forth by the Grand Commander.

The Commanderies teamed up and performed the closed reception and OT as a joint venture. Kokomo and Grant County had great turn out and Sir Knights stepped up to perform parts for the first time. Anderson and Noblesville also partnered up and walked all the way through with a very new cast.

All four Commanderies will be on their own next year and are practicing for a better performance and to be able to confer the Orders with very little help outside of their Commandery.

I have visited all the Commanderies, some more than others, and each time am well received, with enthusiasm and a desire to do what is right, and to get the opening and closing floor work as well as ritual in all stations from memory.

All four Commanderies are in a rebuilding and growth stage and look forward to next year with new Sir Knights stepping up and a continued goal of growing and performance. Grant County is very busy with fellowship and with travel and I am happy to report they are having fun and had a very special ceremony to retire a toboggan the last visit I had.

Anderson Commandery held an Ascension Dinner, the only one of the Commanderies to participate in this wonderful ceremony.

I am looking forward to the growth and improvement that each of these Commanderies will experience this year!

Fraternally Submitted:

Randy W. Spaulding, GW

Battalion Commander, Battalion #3

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**Battalion #4**

Right Eminent Grand Commander Lawrence J. Williams and the Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Indiana,

Battalion #4 Commander is comprised of the following Commanderies: Greencastle #11, Terre Haute #16, Crawfordsville #25 and Frankfort #29 and either myself or my DBC's have had the pleasure of visiting all of the Commanderies in Battalion #4 at their several of their stated meetings during 2017-18 year.

Terre Haute #16 and Frankfort #29 are the strongest Commanderies in Battalion #4 and are capable of performing the Orders and doing the work themselves with Crawfordsville #25 and Greencastle #11 having to join forces.

A Battalion wide reception for Sir Knight Lawrence J. Williams, Grand Commander was held at Frankfort #29 after being moved from Terre Haute #16 due to a scheduling issue. Members of Greencastle #11, Crawfordsville #25 and Frankfort #29 along with several Sir Knights, Ladies and visitors were in attendance. The Officers of Frankfort #29 did a wonderful job on the Reception and Dinner. Thank you do Sir Knight's Don Henderson and Virgil Humphrey for their hard work in pulling this off!

Inspections: The Modified Inspection Opening was met with push back at Terre Haute #16 and it was not done at their Inspection and Order of the Temple, only the Short Form with Rehearsal of Duties was done. This information was reported back to the Grand Inspector General and the Grand Commander for their review. As a result of not adhering to General Order #1 Terre Haute was put on Probation till the Modified Opening was performed. The Modified Opening was done (excluding rehearsal of duties and the flag presentation) with assistance and direction from Sir Knight Donnie Robinette, GCG, Sir Knight Randal Ellington, GSB and Sir Knight Mark Baker, DBC #4 at their Stated Meeting on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018, this information was reported back to the Grand Commander and he then lifted the Probation on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Frankfort #29 did an outstanding job with their Inspection on the New Opening at a Stated Meeting. Both Greencastle #11 and Crawfordsville #25 joined forces and did the Modified Opening along with visiting Sir Knights helping out and did a Great Job with our Most Eminent Grand Master SK Duane L. Vaught in attendance.

Both Terre Haute #16 and Frankfort #29 did the Order of the Temple without outside help for their inspections and did a great job with the work. There is always room for improvement with both needing work on the Tactics, both Commanderies each had a large Class of Candidates that they did the work for and once again did a great job! Crawfordsville #25 and Greencastle #11 did a combined Instructional on the Sword Manual, Forming the lines, and Flag Presentation a BIG thank you to SK Phil Whisner, GJW for his assistance and to the with the visiting Sir Knights for their assisting!

A Battalion winter meeting was held on February 10<sup>th</sup> at Crawfordsville and was attended by Sir Knights from each Commandery in Battalion 4, 17 Sir Knights in all. Sir Knight Terry Kehrner, DGC and Sir Knight George Ingles, PGC, GR both had nice presentations on what is expected for 2018-2019.

Thank you to my each of my DBC's, Eminent Commanders and to all of the Sir Knights in Battalion 4 for all of your hard work and dedication that you do for Indiana Templary!

Fraternally Yours in Christian Masonry,

Randal P. Ellington, GPE, GSB, Battalion 4 Commander  
SK Chris Thomas, DBC, PC Baldwin #2  
SK Jack Moorman, DBC, PC Raper #1  
SK Mark Baker, DBC, PC Wm. G. Bray #65

## **Battalion 5 Annual Report**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers of the Grand Commandery, Past Grand Commanders, and Sir Knights all:

Battalion consists of the following four Commandries:  
Raper #1, Prather #62, Bray #65 and Lackey #67

Johnson County #23 was in Battalion 5 at the beginning of the new Commandery year but merged with Baldwin #2 in the summer of 2017.

Each of the four Commandries held inspections, and reports were turned in to the Grand Inspector General, Grand Commanders, Deputy Grand Commander, and Grand Recorder. All four Commandries participated in the Templar Board and Reception for the Grand Commander. Thanks to Raper #1 for hosting the Reception held in November.

A summary of each Commandery is as follows:

Raper #1: strong Commandery that is able to do degree work on their own. Two of their most positive factors are the drill team and the seasoned members who bring much experience to the Commandery. An area of concern with Raper is not recruiting younger members and/or getting younger members involved in degree work. They should also focus on having outside activities to make belonging to Commandery more enticing by having more for new members than just attending meetings and putting on degree work.

Prather #62: strong Commandery that does good degree work when having a one-day class. However, they should work more on their ritual and floor work when putting on degree work with their own officers in their stations. They are to be commended for drawing members from all over central Indiana by scheduling a minimum of two outside activities per month. These activities are held regardless of how few members may turn out for any given event. This Commandery has a level of camaraderie that is outstanding and work well together in all aspects of their work.

Bray #65: this Commandery is fortunate to have a group of experienced leaders who share their knowledge with other members. However, these leaders are also involved in many other groups and it is sometimes a challenge to have enough members to open meetings. They are recruiting new members but need assistance in putting on degree work. Overall, a good strong Commandery.

Lackey #67: this Commandery went through reorganization this year and has come out stronger. They have enough members coming through the degrees that once completed, and if they attend regularly, they will be able to fill the officer stations. Their goal is to be able to put on their own

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degree work. They can do the Order of the Temple now and are working on the Order of Malta but need material (banners) for this degree. They are showing positive signs of growth and are poised to be a strong Commandery in the future.

I would like to thank Grand Commandery for letting me work with these four Commanderies. I would also like to thank the four Commanderies for the hospitality shown to me. I appreciate the hard work from each of these Commanderies as they continue to grow and become stronger.

Fraternally,

Phil Whisner, GJW  
Battalion 5 Commander

## **Battalion VI Report**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers of the Grand Commandery of Indiana, Sir Knights all:

The Officers and Sir Knights of Battalion VI have been a great group of individuals committed to the betterment of Templary, and the Masonic Fraternity in general. It has been a pleasure to meet and speak with many of them during my travels and look forward to further interactions with them.

### Baldwin Commandery #2:

Baldwin Commandery #2 continues to experience positive growth in 2017. They have knighted 12 new members in this calendar year. The drill team continues to practice 9 – 10 months a year and have had increased interest from the members to fill the team. Their large yearly fundraiser – pizzas at the Shelby County Fair – has entered its 51<sup>st</sup> year and is a community staple many look forward to visiting. I expect many positive things to come from Baldwin in the future.

In August 2017, the members of Johnson County Commandery #23 KT voted to merge with Baldwin Commandery #2. This resulted in a near doubling of membership for Baldwin but has yet to produce any active members from the former Johnson County members. Baldwin is doing a number of activities in the near future to try to encourage more participation.

### Connersville Commandery #6:

Connersville Commandery #6 is a small commandery but determined to strive for success. They are fortunate to have the experience of effective leadership from all walks of the Masonic Fraternity. Although they combined with Richmond Commandery #8 for their ritualistic inspection, they hosted a very well attended battalion reception for the REGC. I look forward to getting to know these Sir Knights better in the future.

### Richmond Commandery #8:

Richmond Commandery #8 is another example of being fortunate of having a number of effective leaders from all walks of Masonic Life within their organization. They have the fortune of having good relationships with our neighboring Sir Knights in Ohio. Combined with several SK's from Connersville #6, this commandery performed very well in their inspection. I plan to continue to encourage this commandery to maximize its greatest potential.

### Greenfield Commandery #39:

Greenfield Commandery #39 also has the benefit of effective leadership within their commandery. Their elected Eminent Commander was called up for duty in the Armed Forces early

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in the year, but with the excellent leadership in their elected line they have been able to perform outstandingly in their activities. They have been active with the ritualistic work, are bringing in a stream of new members, and continue their involvement of community endeavors. They are currently the only commandery within Battalion VI that can perform their own ritualistic orders but need to be observant that other commanderies may quickly achieve the same ritual status. It is always a pleasure to be received with warm hearts (and good food!) at Greenfield.

In conclusion, I am happy to be able to work with such a good group of men that promotes the best of Freemasonry and Templary. I also appreciate the efforts of my Deputy Battalion Commanders: Randy Darling, Tommy Dillard, and Mitchell Rohrbaugh. Finally, I would like to thank GC Larry Williams for the opportunity of being the Battalion VI Commander.

Fraternally & Sincerely,

Donnie A. Robinette, GCG  
Battalion 6 Commander

## **Battalion 7 Report**

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Past Grand Commanders, and Sir Knights.

Battalion 7: New Albany No. 5, Columbus No. 14, Bedford No. 42, and Bloomington No. 63.

Inspections: All Commanderies in Battalion 7 have been inspected and books inspected.

Reception: Bedford No. 42 hosted the Battalion Reception of the Grand Commander. A meal was served (Templar Board). 38 SK's and approximately 10 ladies were in attendance.

Leadership training: Bedford Commandery 42 hosted the Grand Encampment Emerging Leadership Program Level 1 on August 5<sup>th</sup>. Program was presented by John Palmer.

Battalion Meeting: A joint Battalion 7/8 meeting was held at Bedford Commandery 42 on Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. This was an opportunity for VEDGC Terry Kehrer to lay out his plan for his year as Grand Commander and to answer any questions of attending Sir Knights. 30 Sir Knights were in attendance.

Status of Commanderies:

New Albany No. 5 has had an excellent year as reflected on the Activity Sheet. At the time of their Inspection they listed 140 members, with a gain of 3 for the year. They have conferred the Orders this year and are under excellent leadership with EC Carl Whitman. Once first year Recorder Rick Milligan gets his feet on the ground he will make New Albany an excellent Recorder. New Albany has bolstered their officer line with some younger Sir Knights and should be strong in the coming years.

Columbus No. 14 has had a fairly strong year as reflected on the Activity Sheet. They currently show 159 members, with a loss of 2 for the year. They have not conferred the Orders this year but had a strong showing at the joint Inspection at Bedford with 5 Sir Knights in attendance. First year Recorder Stephen Kroman is doing an excellent job, and Columbus has a strong core of officers.

Bedford No. 42 has had a strong year as reflected on the Activity Sheet. Bedford shows 79 members with a loss of 2 for the year. Bedford continues to be a strong ritualistic Commandery. They have conferred all of the Orders and have assisted Bloomington and Greene County in conferring the OT. Bedford hosted the Battalion Reception of the Grand Commander on November 4<sup>th</sup>. A meal was provided, and Templar Board held.

Bloomington No. 63 has had a moderate year as reflected on the Activity Sheet. They currently show 122 members, with a loss of 1 for the year. Ricky Spoonmore has had an excellent year as

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EC, and his father, Roger, has been a pleasure to work with as their second year Recorder. Bloomington, with some assistance, conferred the Order of the Temple on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Bloomington had a very good turnout for the Battalion 7 Inspection with 6 Sir Knights in attendance.

Summary: Battalion 7 has had a very strong year. Concerns about 3 new Recorders have been unfounded. All are very conscientious about their work and will only continue to get better. All Commanderies have younger Sir Knights in the officer line and with a little mentoring, all of the Commanderies in Battalion 7 should get stronger.

I would like to thank Charlie King GPE of Bedford No. 42 and Sir Knight Dennis Schraeder of LaValette No. 16 for their assistance as Deputy Battalion Commanders.

Courteously and Fraternally,

Michael F. Robbins, Grand Generalissimo, Commander, Battalion 7

## **Battalion 8 Report**

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Past Grand Commanders, and Sir Knights.

Battalion 8: LaValette No.15, Vincennes No.20, Wright No.64, and Greene County No.68

Inspections: All Commanderies in Battalion 8 were Inspected on the Modified Opening, Order of the Temple, Flag Presentation, and Closing. Books were also inspected.

Battalion Meeting: A joint Battalion 7/8 meeting was held at Bedford Commandery 42 on Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. 30 Sir Knights were in attendance, including VEDGC Terry Kehrer.

Status of Commanderies:

LaValette Commandery No.15 conferred the Orders on two Sir Knights on Feb.1, 2018. They held a Christmas program, open to the public, on December 21, 2017. At their Ascension Day program on May 25<sup>th</sup>, they had Reverend Janice DuBois attend as a guest speaker. They have also been involved with the newly reactivated Southwest Indiana York Rite Association, an organization formed for the exchange of ideas and to offer assistance to all York Rite Bodies. LaValette currently has on their schedule an Ascension program, Christmas program, three Open Door Mark Master programs, and a one-day York Rite Festival scheduled for September 2018.

Vincennes Commandery No.20 hosted the Battalion 8 Reception of the Grand Commander on August 31<sup>st</sup>. They conferred the Red Cross and Malta Orders twice this year, once in July, and another in October. They also hosted the joint Inspection for Vincennes and LaValette. Vincennes has been instrumental in getting the Southwest York Rite Association up and running again. Vincennes is strong in ritual, which is beneficial to the whole Battalion.

Wright Commandery No.64 has very active members, but do not conduct a lot of activity in their building. They did host the Red Cross and Malta Orders at Huntingburg this year, and later had that candidate knighted at Greene County. They have good turnouts at their bi-monthly stated conclave and always have a meal. An installation ceremony was conducted on February 21<sup>st</sup>.

Greene County No. 68 was Constituted and received their Charter on May 27 by REGC Larry Williams. They conferred the Order of the Temple on five new members this year.

They were Inspected in a joint session with Wright No.64 on September 16<sup>th</sup> and were able to fill most of the stations with their own members. Greene County, along with other York Rite members, participated in the Linton July 4<sup>th</sup> parade.

Summary: As they have done for the past several years, the Commanderies in Battalion 8 are extremely good at working together to get the job done. They have excellent Recorders and leadership roles are filled by very competent Sir Knights. Battalion 8 has had an excellent year and are in the process of scheduling events to stay active.

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Thanks to Sir Knights Phillip Stroud, Les Schmidt, Mark Wallace (Bat8) and Dennis Schraeder (Bat7) for serving as Deputy Battalion Commanders.

Courteously and Fraternally,

Michael F. Robbins, Grand Generalissimo  
Commander, Battalion 8

**COMMANDERY AWARDS**

**Distinguished Service Awards**

Eleven (11) Sir Knights and four (4) Friends were nominated to receive this award, which may be given to two Sir Knights and two Friends in each Commandery annually for outstanding service. As usual, these names are not divulged until the presentations are made in the individual Commanderies.

**GRAND COMMANDERY AWARDS**

**Membership and Activity Awards**

Awards for Membership and Activity achievement were presented by the Grand Commander as follows:

**Activity Awards (Ribbons) 2017**

The two Commanderies scoring highest in each Battalion on the activity score sheet will also be recognized by a ribbon that may be attached to the Commandery Beauceant.

Battalion I	LaPorte Commandery No. 12	1885	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion I	Valparaiso Commandery No. 28	1423	<b>Red</b>
Battalion II	Elkhart Commandery No. 31	3022	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion II	Angola Commandery No. 45	2625	<b>Red</b>
Battalion III	Fort Wayne Commandery No. 4	2216	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion III	Huntington Commandery No. 35	1630	<b>Red</b>
Battalion IV	Frankfort Commandery No. 29	2515	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion IV	Kokomo Commandery No. 36	1505	<b>Red</b>
Battalion V	Baldwin Commandery No. 2	2786	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion V	Prather Commandery No. 62	2190	<b>Red</b>
Battalion VI	Raper Commandery No. 1	1907	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion VI	Greenfield Commandery No. 39	1639	<b>Red</b>
Battalion VII	Columbus Commandery No. 14	2161	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion VII	Bloomington Commandery No. 63	1875	<b>Red</b>
Battalion VIII	Terre Haute Commandery No. 16	1557	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion VIII	Wright Commandery No. 64	1160	<b>Red</b>

**Grand Commandery Guidon 2017**

*Highest Ritual Score*

(177) Elkhart Commandery No. 31

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**Battalion Guidons 2017**

*Highest Ritual Score in Each Battalion*

Battalion I	(666)	Valparaiso Commandery No. 28
Battalion II	(634)	Apollo Commandery No. 19
	(634)	Angola Commandery No. 45
Battalion III	(415)	Anderson Commandery No. 32
	(415)	Noblesville Commandery No. 61
Battalion IV	(557)	Frankfort Commandery No. 29
Battalion V	(520)	Raper Commandery No. 1
Battalion VI	(596)	Greenfield Commandery No. 39
Battalion VII	(557)	Bedford Commandery No. 42
Battalion VIII	(530)	Wright Commandery No. 64
	(530)	Greene County Commandery No. 68

**Eminent Commander Certificate of Merit 2017**

Thomas Johnson	Valparaiso No. 28
Carl Whiteman	New Albany No. 5
Dennis Perkins	Frankfort No. 29
Jerry Burns	Terre Haute No. 16
Jeffery Scott Hurley	Bedford No. 42

**Star Recorder of the Year 2017**

*Virgil Humphrey Frankfort No. 29*

**J. Rufus Hinshaw Award 2017**

(Plaque presented)

Highest % Increase in Membership 2017

*Greene Commandery No. 68*      **36%**

**Grand Commander's Award 2017**

(Plaque presented)

Highest Number of Knightings

*Prather Commandery No. 62 + (27)*

**GRAND ENCAMPMENT AWARDS**

**Knight Commander of the Temple 2017**

Sir Knight James Iles, II	Valparaiso No. 28
Sir Knight Lawrence J. Williams,	LaPorte No. 12

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Sir Knight Terry L. Kehrer, New Albany No. 5  
Sir Knight Gary A. Wyne, Greenfield No. 39

**Companion of the Temple 2017**

Mrs. Carson (Patty) Smith

**Knight Templar Cross of Honor 2017**

Sir Knight Marvin L. Rees, Connersville No. 6  
Sir Knight Jerome Allen Kipper, Valparaiso, No. 28

**REMARKS BY**

**Aspiring for the Office of Grand Captain General of  
Grand Encampment of USA in 2018**

**Sir Knight Thomas Tsirimokos, PGC CT, North East Department**

Thank you, Sir Knights, it's a pleasure to be here with you this morning. I am Tom Tsirimokos Past Grand Commander, Past Department Commander North East, and I am soliciting your vote of serving you in the Grand Encampment in the capacity of Grand Captain General, at the next Triennial in Indianapolis in 2018. Why am I doing this? I am doing this because I want to continue giving back, and to try and repay the great satisfaction and enjoyment that I have derived from membership in this order and our Masonic Fraternity. I am especially passionate about our charitable work, and practically the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. It touched me personally because while I was Department Commander, I had the privilege of presenting checks to two organizations that were instrumental in saving my eye sight in 1965. I want to see that work continue, I want to see our order prosper and with regard to Sir Knight Paul's comment on we need youth, I have recently made a small contribution to solving that problem and had the privilege of Knighting my son George a Templar this past October. Sir Knights I hope you will honor me and give me the opportunity to continue to payback for all the kindness and satisfaction I have received in this order. Thank you.

**REMARKS BY**

**SIR KNIGHT LOREN A. WINN, KCT  
EAST CENTRAL DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,  
OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT,  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
AND PAST GRAND COMMANDER OF MICHIGAN**

Distinguished East, Sir Knights, is everybody awake out there? I promise you my remarks will be brief. Just a reminder the Department meeting will be coming up in March and this time it probably won't be in Ft. Wayne. This past year Indiana blew all the jurisdictions away with the number of those attending the Leadership during the conference.

The classes right now are like 30 in the first one and this last time we had actually around 30 for the second one, which was surprising, but we can expand those classes if we need to accommodate our new leaders because that's where our future is, is in the leadership of the York Rite, not just Commandery, but the York Rite. And these new leaders that come out of the first course and they

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can't wait to get into the second course. We've actually, there's one conference that follows ours, it's here, and it's not unusual for them to do the first level and then want to go down to the southeast conference and take the next level. We had a couple do that this last time. So, need new leaders, that's where our future is. Get those names in, invitations will be sent to them and it's very convenient for Indiana. The reason I choose to do it in Fort Wayne is because if you take our entire Department and you find the dead center, that does happen to be Fort Wayne, especially if you're traveling all the way from southern Kentucky or the Upper Peninsula, it's about the same distance. So, there's no reason everybody has to travel about the same distance. But let's have a lot of Indiana people because I love coming to Indiana. It's just one of the friendlier places to visit and my lady and I really enjoy making the short travel, it's only 6 hours down here so it's not too bad. Anyhow, those are my remarks. If you have any questions or you have concerns at any time, don't hesitate to talk to me, call me and just like these younger generations, I like emails because then I have record when someone asks a question and I can respond to it. So, if you ever need to contact me, the best way is by email.

Thank you very much.

**REMARKS BY THE INSPECTING OFFICER  
SIR KNIGHT WILLIAM JACKSON JONES, GCT  
MOST EMINENT PAST GRAND MASTER,  
OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT,  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

Thank you to the Department Commander, Loren. On behalf of our Most Eminent Grand Master Duane L. Vaught I bring you Fraternal Greetings. I remind you that you have a Triennial coming in August and I am sure many of you will be very busy and I think it will be an enjoyable time for you. In reading your Advance Proceeding I noted the report for the Web Site. You have a very good Web site today but with the plans for the future it will be a site every Sir Knight will need to visit and gather valuable information. Not only about your Commandery but for all Templary. I thank you for the hospitality extended to me again and I have enjoyed myself this time as I have visiting Indiana many times in the past.

**REMARKS BY  
SIR KNIGHT RODNEY A. MANN  
MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER  
OF THE GRAND LODGE ON INDIANA**

Most Eminent Past Grand Master, Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knights, Brothers all, good afternoon. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> time I have had the opportunity to address the Grand Commander from the east. The 1<sup>st</sup> was of course when I was Grand Commander a dozen years ago. It is good to be back at home in my Grand Commandery. I would like to bring you my same talking points I have at each meeting this year and those are: Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. He then explained the meaning of each of those words in his own way. He then thanked everyone for their support during his year serving as Grand Master and for the hospitality extended to him and lady Malia thought this Conclave and the support throughout the year.

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**INVITATION TO THE 164<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONCLAVE**

New Albany Commandery No. 5, as host Commandery extends an invitation to all the Officers, Past Grand Commanders, members of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana, Distinguished Guests and visiting Sir Knights to attend the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana 165<sup>th</sup> Grand Conclave of Indiana, the date and location is not set in stone at this time.

Fraternally Submitted,

George Weir, EC New Albany Commander No. 5  
I move for the adoption of this report. The motion passed.

**JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE**  
**Acceptance of Invitation**

To: The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Indiana.

The Jurisprudence Committee have considered the expected invitation, accepts with pleasure the invitation of New Albany Commandery #5 to Host the 165<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave in Columbus, Indiana in 2018. We look forward to a successful and productive Conclave.

Respectfully submitted

Steven J. Barton,  
For the Committee  
I move the acceptance of this Report. It was seconded and passed.

**JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE**  
**Congratulations**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Indiana:

We the Jurisprudence Committee, commend Lawrence J. Williams, Right Eminent Grand Commander for his leadership and efforts for the Grand Commandery of Indiana. You have been a diligent and committed leader for the York Rite Fraternity.

During your year serving as Grand Commander, you have travelled throughout the Hoosier State to keep the Sir Knights informed of Commandery business. With the guidance of the Supreme Architect of the Universe and advice of many York Rite members, you made many strides for Indiana Templary.

Among your accomplishments would be:

- The leadership instructional meetings planned in Indianapolis, South Bend and Bedford, taught by Sir Knight John Palmer. These meeting have served to help develop better leaders

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for Indiana York Rite.

- Constituted a new Commandery, Green County Commandery #68 in Linton, Indiana.
- Held a series of meetings with the Executive Committee and Deputy Battalion Commanders to organize, communicate and plan events for the benefit of Constituent Commanderies in Indiana.
- Urged attendance and hosted the Newby-Avery Banquet.
- Promoted participation in the Easter Sunrise Service in Washington D.C and had the opportunity to lay the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns.
- During your year as Grand Commander, attended the Grand Commandery Conclaves in Illinois, Michigan, Kentucky and Ohio.
- Lead a group of Indiana Past Grand Commanders, Grand Commandery Officers and other Indiana members and their wives to the East Central Department Conference in Ft. Wayne.
- Organized the Grand Line Officers to confer the Order of the Temple at the Tri-State York Rite Festival in Angola, IN – an order well received by the candidates.

There are numerous other activities and accomplishments that could be listed. We believe that you have performed the necessary labors to continue to build a successful York Rite in the state of Indiana. Well done good and faithful servant and after tomorrows installation of a new Grand Commander will be proud to welcome you into the ranks as a Past Grand Commander.

Respectfully submitted

Paul W. Friend, PGC

For the Jurisprudence Committee

He then moved to adopt this report. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

**Appointments and Remarks from the Grand Commander Elect**

First of all, let me say congregation on your successful year and your leadership and directing me and keeping me straight. The appointed officers for the coming year are as follows: The Grand Prelate / Grand Photographer / Aide, Stephen P. Kroman. Grand Standard Bearer Randall Ellington, Grand Warder Randy Spaulding, Grand Warder Phillip Stroud, Grand Sentinel Randy Darling, Grand Organist Marvin Rees, Grand Inspector General Irvin Bitting, Deputies are James Dove and Ronald Ellis. Grand Marshal Tony Peterson, Lanyard Cord Program Virgil Humphrey, Web Master Lucas Pacukovski, Aides Joseph Villarreal, John Freeland, Keven Spencer, Knight Templar Supplement Edward Sebring, GPE. Installation will be at 3:00pm in this room. All PGCs please be available for pictures.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Grand Commander called on the Deputy Grand Commander for any unfinished Business.

There being no further business, Grand Commander Williams set the Grand Commandery at ease until 3:00 PM for the installation of Officers.

**INSTALLATION**

The business of the 164<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave having been completed, the new officers were installed by S.K. James L. Dove, KCT, PGC, as Installing Officer, S. K. Irvin L. Bitting as Installing Marshall, S.K. Larry W. Brown, KCT, PGC, PDC as Installing Recorder, S.K. Ronald L. Ellis, KCT, PGC as Installing Prelate and Sir Knight Marvin Rees, PC as Installing Musician.

## **Grand Commandery Adjourned**

By the power vested in me as Grand Commander, I now declare LaPorte Commandery No. 12 closed in Ample Form and I now declare this 164<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave Adjourn

Sir Knights who were installed please assemble in the west and will your ladies please join you for pictures. Thank you.



## **GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**



**Bulletin No. 1 Williams – 2017-18**

**April 29, 2017**

### **163<sup>rd</sup> CONCLAVE DIGEST**

The 163<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana, was held at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center, Columbus, Indiana on April 28, 2017. The Sir Knights of William G. Bray Commandery No. 65, the Commandery of the Right Eminent Grand Commander, served as hosts for the Conclave.

On Friday morning, the lines were formed, under the direction of S. K. Randy Darling. Sir Knight Donald L. Olvey, Right Eminent Grand Commander and his Officers assumed their offices. The Grand Commander then introduced his officers as listed below:

V. E. Deputy Grand Commander	Lawrence J. Williams
Grand Generalissimo	Terry L. Kehrer
Grand Captain General	Michael F. Robbins
Grand Treasurer	Bobby J. Frazer, KCT, PGC
Grand Recorder	George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC
Grand Senior Warden	Donnie A. Robinette
Grand Junior Warden	Edward E. Fodrea
Grand Prelate	Charles P. King
Grand Marshal	Tony Peterson
Grand Standard Bearer	Matthew Lowe
Grand Sword Bearer	Henry T. Bear
Grand Warder	Phillip D. Whisner
Grand Sentinel	Thomas Johnson
Grand Organist	Marvin L. Rees

The Distinguished Guests were received as follows under the direction of Sir Knight Irvin L. Bitting, KCT, PGC, The Past Grand Commanders of Indiana then assisted in the following introductions.

The Past Grand Commanders of Indiana were received and introduced. They included: Paul W. Friend, Irvin L. Bitting, James L. Dove, David M. Bertch, Bobby J. Roberts, Jack F. Wallace, Michael D. Ritter and James L. Bolinger.

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The following Grand Commander Aides were introduced, Tony S. Peterson, Henry T. Bear Thomas R. Retherford. The following Deputy Grand Commander Aides were also introduced, Kevin Spencer and DBC No. 8

Grand Prelate Emeritus: Randal Ellington GPE and Deputy Battalion Commander No. 6

Knight Templar Cross of Honor: Robert S. Flint, KTC, GPE, Virgil G. Humphrey, KCT, and Gary A. Nicholson.

Companion and Sir Knight Robert J. Frazer KTC PGC, Grand Governor, York Rite Colleges of Indiana.

Companion and Sir Knight Gary G. Wyne, PMIGM, Right Eminent Grand Marshal, Convent General, Knights of the Grand Cross of Honor, Executive Secretary Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation, Past Most Wise Master Chapter of Rose Croix, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

Companion and Sir Knight G. Ray Wendell, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons of Indiana, PGHP, James Coleman; PGHP, Carl Froedge; and the officers of the Grand Chapter were received and introduced.

Companion and Sir Knight Christopher W. Wright, Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Indiana, PMIGM, John C. Gray; PMIGM, Rudell Wilburn, PMIGM, Michael C. Stoner and the officers of the Grand Council were received and introduced.

Companion Sir Knight, Larry E. Gray, PGHP, KCT, KTCH, Grand Secretary Emeritus, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Indiana, Past General Grand High Priest, and General Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, International, Intendant General Division of Indiana, Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders, USA, Mexico and The Philippines, Past Most Eminent Grand Preceptor, Grand College of America, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests was separately received and introduced.

The following Officers of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Indiana were present: Ronald K. Smith, PGHP, PGM, and Rodney A. Mann, KTC, PGC, Deputy Grand Master.

Visiting Grand Officers from other jurisdictions included:

From Kentucky; Charles Cooper, Aide to Camp, Michigan; John E. Porritt, Grand Senior Warden and Stephen Lambert, Aide to the Grand Commander.

From Ohio: LeRoy Kifer, Grand Generalissimo, and Robert Hager, Eminent Grand Captain General.

The visiting Past Grand Commanders present were introduced as follows: Albert Johnson, Michigan, and John Laughlin, KCT and Representative of North Dakota near Indiana.

Visiting Grand Commanders from other Jurisdictions were greeted as follows: Ronald Vicars, KCT, Ohio; Larry Carte, Kentucky; Donald Trumbull, Michigan; William J. Smith, Illinois, James J. Burton, Wisconsin, and Wade Sheeler, Iowa and the Representative of Iowa near Indiana.

Also present were the following Past Department Commanders Sir Knight Thomas Tsirimokos, PGC CT, North East Department; Paul Newhall, PGC VA, Mid Atlantic Department; Sir Knights, Steven J. Barton, and Larry W. Brown, East Central Department.

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Sir Knight Jeffery Bolstad, REDC, North West Department, and Loren A. Winn., REDC for the East Central Department of the Grand Encampment, United States of America were received.

The Inspecting Officer was Sir Knight Duane L. Vaught, GCT, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States of America, and Aide Rodney A. Mann, Deputy Grand Master, KCT, PGC; Charles Cooper, Aide to Camp; Carson C. Smith, KCT, KYCH, and Grand Master's Banner Bearer for 67<sup>th</sup> Triennial.

Sir Knight and Brother Carey B. Carter, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Indiana was received and introduced.

The Grand Commander thanked the Captain of the escort and the Sir Knights forming the lines, a hardy thank-you was given from those present. He then ordered the Captain of the Escort to dismiss the escort. The guests were then excused. After the preliminary opening the preliminary report of the Credentials Committee was called for and a quorum was present. All Commanderies were represented. The Grand Commander then declared the Indiana Grand Commandery dully convened for the 163<sup>rd</sup> Conclave.

A Welcome address was given by the Commandery of William G. Bray No. 65 Henry T. Bear and a response from the Deputy Grand Commander.

The Grand Commander called for the minutes from the 162<sup>nd</sup> Conclave. A motion was made and the minutes were approved as distributed.

**Jurisprudence:** Presented a motion to receive the preprinted reports in the Advanced Proceedings with some exceptions.

**Grand Commander:** The Grand Commander presented his allocution. The Jurisprudence Committee move to accept the report and be place in Divisions and References,

**Grand Representatives:** Roll call of Grand Representatives showed that 34 were present, 10 were absent, 4 were excused and 2 positions open.

**Grand Recorder:** The Grand Recorder reported loss of 206 Sir Knights for the year.

**Grand Treasurer:** The Grand Treasurer presented his annual financial report.

**Charters and Dispensations:** Reported Michigan City Commandery No. 30 merged with La Porte Commandery No. 12. It was decided at this Conclave for a New Commandery, Greene County Commandery U.D. should receive their Charter. They will be Constituted Greene County Commandery No.68, May 27, 2018 stationed in Linton, Indiana.

**Holy Land Pilgrimage:** The Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee reported that five ministers went to the Holy Land this year. They included:

Valparaiso #28	Sent Rev. Denver L. Smith III
Huntington #35	Sent Rev. Christie E. Fodrea
Angola #45	Sent Rev. Tracey A. Zimmerman
Connersville #6	Nominated Rev. Charles T. Marshall

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Baldwin #2

Nominated Rev. Matthew A. Mitchell

**Trustees:** The Permanent fund is invested with Morgan Stanley in a moderate growth account with a ten-year investment horizon. On January 1, 2016, we invested \$343,410.91 and \$221,868.00 in the General Fund and Education Fund, respectively with Morgan Stanley. During the year 2016, the above investments increased to \$361,304.83 in the General Fund and \$230,914.89 in the Education Fund. Or an average increase of 5.9% in a very good year as of December 31, 2016.

**Necrology:** The report of the Necrology Committee paid tribute to those 120 Sir Knights who have passed to their eternal rest. After Grand Prelate Charles King gave his report, Robert J. Frazer KCT, PGC read a eulogy in memory of Sir Knight H. E. "Uncle Gene" Lackey, KCT, KTCH, HPGC. Irvin L. Bitting read a eulogy for Sir Knight Peter T. Zivanovich, KCT, PGC and Sir Knight Steven J. Barton, KCT, PGC, PDC, then gave a eulogy for Sir Knight Ned E. Dull., GCT, MEPGM.

**Education Foundation:** The Educational Foundation Committee would like to continue to award a \$5000.00 scholarship to Christian Theological Seminary (CTS). However, the committee has contacted several theological seminaries in the state but we were unsuccessful in finding a seminary that would accept and acknowledge money from a Masonic organization. The Grand Master of Grand Encampment and the Grand Encampment Education Foundation Committee has made a number of changes to the requirements for the funds in the Education Foundation Committee.

**Crusader:** The official Conclave Program Book, "The Templar Crusader", was again successful and Richmond Commandery No. 8 received the traveling award for selling the most ads.

**Elections:** The final report of the Credentials Committee showed that all Commanderies were represented by at least one delegate. Following this report, the election was held with the following results:

Lawrence J. Williams, GC	Terry L. Kehrer, DGC	Michael F. Robbins, GG
Donnie A. Robinette, GCG	Edward E. Fodrea, GSW	Phillip D. Whisner, GJW
Robert J. Frazer, KCT, PGC, GT	George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, GR	

Michael D. Ritter, KCT, PDC was elected Grand Trustee for a term of 3 years.

Grand Commander-elect Lawrence J. Williams, then announced the following appointments: David Cincoski, GP; Marvin L. Rees, GO; Randy Darling, Grand Marshall; James L. Dove, KCT, PGC, GIG; Thomas Johnson, GStdB; Randal P. Ellington, GSwB; Kevin M. Spencer, GW; and, Randy Spaulding as GS.

**Finance:** SK James L. Dove KCT, PGC and Vice Chairman of the Finance Committee gave a presentation on the finances of the Grand Commandery. The finance committee is recommending no change to the present assessment although the budget shows an excess of \$120.00, and a withdrawal of \$7,000.00 from the Permanent Fund. In summary, the per capita now looks like this: Grand Encampment: \$9.00. Grand Commandery: \$11.50. Eye Foundation: \$1.00 (not assessed if member is a Life Member of the Eye Foundation).

**Legislation passed or Failed:**

**RITUALS**

**SECTION 835: Paragraph (E) Currently reads:**

**SECTION 835:**

Paragraph (E)

That the Grand Recorder shall make a record of the Rituals now in the possession of each Commandery and of the Grand Commandery and shall keep said record to date as Rituals are from time to time tendered to him and purchased from him.

**Proposed change:**

**SECTION 835: Paragraph (E) Delete:**

**Reason for Change:** Many Commanderies today purchase Ritual and issue them to new members who are not officers, in the expectation they will learn a part of the Ritual. These ritual sometime are lost by those Sir Knights and the Recorder has a difficult time each year when requested to give the numbers of the Ritual of the Commanderies as many Sir Knight who have the Ritual doesn't attend the inspection or forgets to bring his ritual.

Fraternally Submitted

George A. Ingles, Jr., Grand Recorder

**Section 835 passed as of (April 2017)**

**SECTION 840: Currently reads:**

**ANNUAL REPORTS OF COMMANDERIES**

**SECTION 840:** It shall be the duty of the Recorder of each Commandery under the jurisdiction of this Grand Commandery, on or before the 15th day of January in each and every year, to make out and transmit to the Grand Recorder on blank forms furnished by him, an annual report, which must embrace

(A) A list of the officers elected and installed for the ensuing year.

(B) A list of the Sir Knights created during the preceding year giving date each order received was conferred.

(C) Names and dates of those who may have been reinstated during the year.

(D) Names and dates of those admitted by affiliation.

(E) The name and date of any who may have died during the year.

(F) The name and date of any who may have been suspended for non-payment of dues.

(G) The name and date of any who may have been suspended or expelled for other causes.

(H) The name of those whose dues were remitted by reason of their inability to pay the same.

(I) Such a report must embrace such other facts as may be specified in the blank reports to be furnished by the Grand Recorder and authorized by the Grand Commandery, and where names are required, Christian names must be written in full. In no case shall initial letters for names be used by Recorders of Commanderies when making annual reports to the Grand Recorder.

**Proposed change:**

**ANNUAL REPORTS OF COMMANDERIES**

**SECTION 840:** It shall be the duty of the Recorder of each Commandery under the jurisdiction of this Grand Commandery, before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January in each and every year, **to enter into the Masonic Membership Solutions the following:** ~~to make out and transmit to the Grand Recorder on blank forms furnished by him, an annual report, which must embrace~~

(A) A list of the officers elected and installed for the ensuing year (following the installation).

(B) A list of the Sir Knights created during the preceding year giving date each order received was conferred.

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- (C) Names and dates of those who may have been reinstated during the year.
- (D) Names and dates of those admitted by affiliation.
- (E) The name and date of any who may have died during the year.
- (F) The name and date of any who may have been suspended for non-payment of dues.
- (G) The name and date of any who may have been suspended or expelled for other causes.
- (H) The name of those whose dues were remitted by reason of their inability to pay the same. **By US mail or email received by the Grand Recorder before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January in each year.**
- ~~(I) Such a report must embrace such other facts as may be specified in the blank reports to be furnished by the Grand Recorder and authorized by the Grand Commandery, and where names are required, Christian names must be written in full. In no case shall initial letters for names be used by Recorders of Commanderies when making annual reports to the Grand Recorder.~~

**Reason for Change:**

(A -G) With Masonic Membership Solutions, the Grand Encampment uses information for the last year effective December 31, to provide information about membership in all Commanderies. Any information concerning the last year entered after December 31 will be recorder as next years membership statics. The Grand Commandery will be billed by Grand Encampment as recorded by December 31. Subordinate Commanderies will be billed accordingly.

(H) There is no place for remission of dues in MMS. It is necessary that the Grand Recorder be notified of the remitted dues for the year before December 31 for him to complete the Per Capita statements and send them to the Commanderies. Giving them ample time to return their Per Capita Check by February 1<sup>st</sup>.

Fraternally Submitted

George A. Ingles, Jr., Grand Recorder  
**Section 840 passed as of (April 2017)**

**SECTION 841: Currently reads:**

**ANNUAL RETURNS OF COMMANDERIES**

**SECTION 841:** Each Recorder shall, on forms to be furnished by the Grand Recorder, transmit to his office on or before the fifteenth day of January, annual returns for each year ending on the thirty-first day of December, and shall on or before the first day of February pay the fees, dues, and other billings due the Grand Commandery for such year. Each Constituent Recorder shall also file prior to March first a Financial Report for the preceding year with the Grand Recorder.

Each Recorder shall also file with the Grand Recorder on or before the third day of each month, a Monthly Report of Activity on the form prescribed by the Grand Encampment Failure to file such form within fifteen days after the third of the month shall cause such report to be delinquent and shall result in a fine to the Commandery of \$10.00 for each month that the report is late. The fines due and payable because of delinquent filings shall be billed and paid the end of the year along with other fees and dues.

**Proposed Change:**

**ANNUAL RETURNS OF COMMANDERIES**

**SECTION 841:** Each Recorder shall, ~~on forms to be furnished by the Grand Recorder, transmit to his office on or before the fifteenth day of January, annual returns for each year ending on the thirty-first day of December, and shall~~ on or before the first day of February pay the fees, dues, and other billings due the Grand Commandery for such year. Each Constituent Recorder shall also file prior to March first a Financial Report for the preceding year with the Grand Recorder.

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~~Each Recorder shall also file with the Grand Recorder on or before the third day of each month, a Monthly Report of Activity on the form prescribed by the Grand Encampment~~ **Failure to file such form or pay fees, dues and other billing due the Grand Commandery at the proper time** ~~within fifteen days after the third of the month shall cause such report to be delinquent and shall result in a fine to the Commandery of \$10.00~~ **\$2.00** for each month that **day** the report is late. The fines due and payable because of delinquent filings shall be billed and paid at the end of the year along with other fees and dues.

**Reason for Change:**

Monthly and Annual Commandery Membership Static Report are no longer necessary due to MMS. This year (2017) (5) five Commanderies were late in paying the Per Capita.

Fraternally Submitted

George A. Ingles, Jr., Grand Recorder  
**Section 841 passed as of (April 2017)**

**Honorary Memberships:** The following Sir Knights were presented with Honorary Membership to the Indiana Grand Commandery: Jeffery Bolstad, NWDC, James J. Burton, REGC, WI; Larry Carte, REGC, KY; Carey B. Carter, MWGM, IN; John Laughlin, REPGC & Representative near South Dakota; Paul S. Newhall, REPDCECD; Wade E. Sheeler, REGC and Representative near IA; William J. Smith REGC, IL; Donald L. Trumbull, REGC of MI; Ronald L. Vicars, REGC of OH; G. Raymond Windell, MEGHP of the Grand Chapter in IN; and Christopher W. Wright, MIGM of Cryptic Masons in IN.

**Easter Sunrise:** As has been the custom for many years, the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana sponsored a trip to attend the Grand Encampment Easter Sunrise Service in Arlington, VA. The Easter Sunrise Service Trip began this year on April 12, 2017. The Grand Commander had the honor of placing a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington Cemetery, VA. All enjoyed the Banquet and breakfast hosted by the Grand Encampment. Easter morning Indiana Knights proudly marched up Shooters Hill at the George Washington Masonic Memorial before the inspirational Easter Sunrise Service. We returned tired but happy to Indianapolis on Easter evening.

**Awards Presented:** Awards for membership achievement were presented by the Grand Commander as follows:

**Star Recorder of the Year 2017**  
*Virgil Humphrey Frankfort No. 29*

**J. Rufus Hinshaw Award 2017**  
(Plaque presented)  
Highest % Increase in Membership 2017  
*Greene County Commandery No. 68* **38%**

**Grand Commander's Award 2017**  
(Plaque presented)  
Highest Number of Knightings  
*Prather Commandery No. 62 + (27)*

**Activity Awards (Ribbons) 2017**

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The two Commanderies scoring highest in each Battalion on the activity score sheet will also be recognized by a ribbon that may be attached to the Commandery Beauceant.

Battalion I	Elkhart Commandery No. 31	2572	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion I	LaPorte Commandery No. 12	2055	<b>Red</b>
Battalion II	Apollo Commandery No. 19	2035	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion II	Angola Commandery No. 45	1890	<b>Red</b>
Battalion III	Grant County Commandery No. 21	510	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion III	Kokomo Commandery No. 36	395	<b>Red</b>
Battalion IV	Frankfort Commandery No. 29	3076	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion IV	Terre Haute Commandery No. 16	1348	<b>Red</b>
Battalion V	Raper Commandery No. 1	3596	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion V	Wm. G. Bray Commandery No. 65	2225	<b>Red</b>
Battalion VI	Baldwin Commandery No. 2	2660	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion VI	Greenfield Commandery No. 39	1035	<b>Red</b>
Battalion VII	New Albany Commandery No. 5	2246	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion VII	Bedford Commandery No. 42	1636	<b>Red</b>
Battalion VIII	Wright Commandery No. 64	1955	<b>Blue</b>
Battalion VIII	Greene County Commandery No. 68	1918	<b>Red</b>

**Grand Commandery Guidon 2017**

*Highest Ritual Score*

(666) Valparaiso Commandery No. 28

**Battalion Guidons 2017**

*Highest Ritual Score in Each Battalion*

Battalion I	(666)	Valparaiso Commandery No. 28
Battalion II	(634)	Apollo Commandery No. 19
Battalion II	(634)	Angola Commandery No. 45
Battalion III	(415)	Anderson Commandery No. 32
Battalion III	(415)	Noblesville Commandery No. 61
Battalion IV	(557.5)	Frankfort Commandery No. 29
Battalion V	(520)	Raper Commandery No. 1
Battalion VI	(596)	Greenfield Commandery No. 39
Battalion VII	(557)	Bedford Commandery No.42
Battalion VIII	(530)	Wright Commandery No. 64
Battalion VIII	(530)	Greene County Commandery No. 68

**Eminent Commander Certificate of Merit 2017**

*Thomas Johnson*

*Valparaiso No. 28*

*Carl Whiteman*

*New Albany No. 5*

*Jeffery Scott Hurley*

*Bedford No. 42*

### **Knight Templar Cross of Honor 2017**

*Sir Knight Marvin L. Rees*

*Sir Knight Jerome Allen Kipper*

**Distinguished Service Awards:** Eleven (11) Sir Knights and four (4) Friends were nominated to receive this award, which may be given to two Sir Knights and two Friends in each Commandery annually for outstanding service. As usual, these names are not divulged until the presentations are made in the individual Commanderies.

**Installation:** The business of the 163<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conclave having been completed, the new officers were installed by S.K. James L. Dove, KCT, PGC, as Installing Officer, S.K. Larry W. Brown, KCT, PGC, PDC as Installing Marshall, S.K. David Bertch, PGC as Installing Recorder, S.K. Paul W. Friend, KCT, PGC as Installing Prelate and Sir Knight Marvin Rees as Installing Musician. After remarks and introductions by the new Grand Commander Lawrence J. Williams, he then declared the 163<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conclave adjourned.

The Grand Commander's Banquet followed with over 125 Sir Knights and their Ladies. An excellent dinner was enjoyed by all. Several presentations were made; most notably the Knight Templar Cross of Honor was presented to Sir Knight, Tony Peterson, PC and Sir Knight Mark Baker, PC. In addition, Sir Knight Duane L. Vaught, REGG, presented Sir Knight Donald L. Olvey with his Past Grand Commander's Certificate followed by a presentation of Grand Commander Olvey's Past Grand Commander's jewel by Sir Knight George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, GR. Sir Knight Olvey is now wearing the PGC jewel once worn by Harold R. Hoolihan, from Fort Wayne Commandery No. 4. A collection of \$523 was raised for the Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund.

**Competitive Drills:** The competitive drills were held on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, at the Columbus Skateland, 2660 N. Talley Road, Columbus, IN under the direction of William Short, PC and Drill Chairman. The following 4 teams competed in the drills:

- |     |                |                       |           |            |                        |
|-----|----------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|------------------------|
| (1) | Raper #1       | 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Class "C" | 899 Points | William Short, Captain |
| (2) | Greenfield #39 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Class "C" | 871 Points | David Miller, Captain  |
| (3) | Baldwin #2     | 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Class "D" | 933 Points | Randy Darling, Captain |

Pass-in-Review lineup: Raper #1, Baldwin #2, and Greenfield #39

The 164<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Indiana will be held at the Clarion Hotel in Columbus, IN on Saturday April 28, 2018.

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**BATTALION STRUCTURE  
2017-18**

<b>Battalion 1</b> <b>Thomas Johnson</b> LAPORTE # 12 VALPARASIO # 28 SOUTH BEND #13 ELKHART #31 E.H. GARY # 57	<b>Battalion 2</b> <b>Edward Fodrea</b> FORT WAYNE #4 APOLLO # 19 HUNTINGTON #35 ANGOLA # 45	<b>Battalion 3</b> <b>Randal Spaulding</b> GRANT COUNTY # 21 ANDERSON # 32 KOKOMO #31 NOBLESVILLE # 61
<b>Battalion 4</b> <b>Randy Ellington</b> LAFAYETTE # 3 GREENCASTLE # 11 TERRE HAUTE # 16 CRAWFORDSVILLE # 25 FRANKFORT # 29	<b>Battalion 5</b> <b>Phillip Whisner</b> RAPER #1 JOHNSON COUNTY # 23 PRATHER #62 WM.G. BRAY # 65 H. E. LACKEY #67	<b>Battalion 6</b> <b>Donnie Robinette</b> BALDWIN # 2 CONNERSVILLE # 6 RICHMOND # 8 GREENFIELD # 39
<b>Battalion 7</b> <b>Michael Robbins</b> NEW ALBANY #5 COLUMBUS # 14 BEDFORD # 42 BLOOMINGTON # 63	<b>Battalion 8</b> <b>Kevin Spencer</b> LAVALETTE # 15 VINCENNES # 20 WRIGHT # 64 GREENE COUNTY #68	

*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*  
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All Elected Officers

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Larry W. Brown, PGC, PDC  
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Edward Sebring, GPE

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James A. Iles, PC 2018  
James L. Bolinger, PGC 2019  
David L. Miller, PC 2019  
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Robert J. Frazer, PGC, GT

**Membership /Inactive Participation**

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Donald Laudeman, PC  
Kurt A. Begue, KCT, PC  
Barry Clouser, EC  
Brian C. Lewis, PC  
Randy Darling, PC  
Donald Abernathy, PC  
Mark Wallace, PC

**Competitive Drill**

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**Dispensations and Charters**

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Terry L. Kehrer, DGC  
Michael F. Robbins, GG

**Indiana Templar Web Site**

Kurt A. Begue, PC

**Visiting SK and Distinguished Guests**

Edward E. Fodrea, GSW Chair  
All Grand Commandery Officers

**Holy Land Pilgrimage**

Randal Ellington, GSWB, Chair  
Adam E. Jackson, GPE  
Edward L. Sebring, GPE  
David Cincoski, GP  
Tony Peterson, GPE

**Ritual and Tactics**

Philip D. Whisner, GJW  
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Carson Smith, PC  
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James Iles, PC

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Kevin Spencer, GW Chair  
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Mike Anderson, PC  
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Robert J. Frazer, PGC, GT 2018  
James L. Dove, PGC 2019  
Jack F. Wallace, PGC 2020  
James L. Bolinger, PGC 2021  
Thomas D. Johnson, GStB 2022

**Templar Uniform**

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*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*

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Brian Lewis, PC #5  
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Grand Treasurer

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James L. Bolinger, PGC  
Chair to appoint as necessary

This Bulletin shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, A.D. 2017, A.O. 899.



Lawrence J. Williams, Grand Commander

ATTESTED:



George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*  
**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
OF INDIANA**



**Bulletin No. 2 Williams**

**April 29, 2017**

## **Eminent Commander Certificate of Merit Award**

In order to honor the Eminent Commanders of Indiana who have completed a full term in 2017 and who have demonstrated that they are effective leaders will be eligible to receive a Certificate of Merit based upon the following criteria at the Grand Conclave on April 28, 2018.

- An Officer mentoring program is functioning in the Commandery.
- The Commandery has made personal contact by telephone or visited all inactive Sir Knights in the local area.
- The Commandery has knighted at least 1 candidate in 2017.
- The Commandery can Open and Close the Commandery without the use of an open Ritual.
- The Commandery has participated with a quorum present in a local Order.
- The Commandery has accumulated at least 250 activity points on the Activities Sheet.

**All Battalion Commanders will recommend eligible Eminent Commanders in their Battalion at the Winter Meeting of the Grand Commandery in January 2018.**

This Bulletin shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2017, A.O. 899.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
OF INDIANA



Bulletin No. 3 Williams

April 29, 2017

**Distinguished Service Award**

In 1977, The Grand Commandery of Indiana established an award known as the “Distinguished Service Award.” This award may be presented by the Right Eminent Grand Commander upon the recommendation of the Commander and dais officers of the Constituent Commandery to a Sir Knight who has given outstanding, loyal and devoted service to the Commandery. A lady or non-member may also receive this award as a “DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD FOR FRIENDS.”

Each Indiana Commandery may nominate two (2) Sir Knights and/or (2) “Friends” per year upon the recommendation of its three dais officers. Nominations are made using the enclosed forms, and **must be submitted to the Grand Recorder no later than February 1, 2018.** The cost of the jewel is borne by the Commandery nominating the individual and is billed to the Commandery by the Grand Recorder. The Grand Commandery furnishes a certificate. Full details of the award can be found in Permanent Resolution No. 3, Section 920 (a) of the Indiana Grand Laws. Further questions may be addressed to the Grand Commander or Grand Recorder.

Each Commander is urged to take advantage of this opportunity to recognize outstanding service to Templary on a local basis. We have many Sir Knights who attend meetings, give a helping hand, do the little things in conferring the Orders, or support the activities of the officers year after year. Any Sir Knight is eligible and there are no restrictions other than he is in good standing.

This Bulletin shall be read at the first Stated Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2017, A.O. 899.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder



**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD FOR  
SIR KNIGHTS**

**Rules and Regulations**

An award to be known as the "**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**" (for Sir Knights) was established by the Grand Commandery of Indiana on May 6, 1977 at the 123rd Annual Conclave. It is to be conferred upon members, who, by distinguished service to Templary are worthy of such an award. The recipients to be selected and the award to be presented as follows:

1. The recipient must be a member in good standing of a Commandery.
2. The Eminent Commander, Generalissimo and Captain General, will acting together, present the nomination for the award as suggested by members of their Commandery. The nomination shall be on forms to be provided by the Grand Recorder. **Said nomination shall be forwarded to the Right Eminent Grand Commander no later than February 1<sup>st</sup> of each year for the preceding year.** The Grand Commandery may appoint the Grand Recorder to assist him in the selection of recipients.
3. Those chosen to receive the award shall be made known by the Right Eminent Grand Commander at the Grand Commandery Conclave each year. The names of the nominees to receive the award shall be kept strictly confidential until announced by the Grand Commander.
4. The award shall be limited to two (2) members from each Commandery in Indiana each year starting with the year 1977.
5. The award is to be presented to the recipient by the Eminent Commander of the recipient's Commandery, such presentation to be at a Stated or Called Conclave. It is strongly recommended that such presentation be open to the public, visitors and friends and is performed with proper ceremony with Sir Knights present wearing full Templar uniforms.
6. The award shall consist of a jewel engraved with the words "DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD, Grand Commandery of Indiana" In addition thereto an appropriate certificate of the award shall be prepared and signed by the Right Eminent Grand Commander, attested by the Grand Recorder. Also, the signature of the Eminent Commander and attested by the Recorder of the Commandery. The jewel and certificate shall be the same for all Commanderies and under the control of the Grand Commandery of Indiana.
7. The cost of the jewel, certificate and any additional engraving shall be borne by each Commandery presenting a nomination. Each Commandery will be billed for the cost by the Grand Recorder.

Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana

NOMINATION FORM

**DUE NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2015**

**FOR A SIR KNIGHT**

**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

TO: The Right Eminent Grand Commander:

It is the unanimous recommendation of the Eminent Commander, Generalissimo and Captain General of \_\_\_\_\_ Commandery No. \_\_\_\_\_, stationed at \_\_\_\_\_ that the following Sir Knight, a member of said Commandery, be and hereby is nominated to receive the Distinguished Service Award for the Templar year

1. His full name is \_\_\_\_\_

2. His residence is \_\_\_\_\_

3. The following facts are submitted as a justification for his nomination:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(If further space is required, continue on backside or attach a separate sheet.)

Approved this: \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Eminent Commander

Approved: Grand Commander \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: Grand Recorder \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*  
**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**  
**FOR FRIENDS**

**Rules and Regulations**

An award to be known as the "**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD FOR FRIENDS**" was established by the Grand Commandery of Indiana on April 25, 1998. It is to be awarded to a Friend who has given service to the Grand Commandery, or a Constituent Commandery of Indiana, above that which can be expected of a non-member. The recipients to be selected and the award to be presented as follows:

1. The Eminent Commander, Generalissimo and Captain General, will acting together, present the nomination for the award as suggested by members of their Commandery. The nomination shall be made on forms to be provided by the Grand Recorder. **Each nomination shall be forwarded to the Right Eminent Grand Commander no later than February 1<sup>st</sup> of each year for the preceding year.** The Grand Commander may appoint the Grand Recorder and the Special Activities Committee to assist him in the selection of the recipients.
2. Those chosen to receive the award shall be made known by the Right Eminent Grand Commander at the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery each year. The names of the nominees to receive the award shall be kept strictly confidential until announced by the Grand Commander.
3. The award shall be limited to two (2) nominations from each Commandery in Indiana each year starting with the year 1998.
4. The award is to be presented to the recipient by the Eminent Commander of the nominating Commandery, such presentation to be at a Called Conclave. Such presentation shall be open to the public, visitors and friends and be performed with proper ceremony with Sir Knights present wearing full Templar Uniforms.
5. The award shall consist of a jewel with suitable fastener on back to be worn by a Lady or a lapel pin for a Gentleman. In addition thereto, an appropriate certificate of the award shall be prepared and signed by the Right Eminent. Grand Commander, attested to by the Grand Recorder. Also, the signature of the Eminent Commander and attested to by the Recorder of the Commandery. The jewel and certificate shall be the same for all Commanderies and under the control of the Grand Commandery of Indiana.
6. The cost of the jewel and certificate shall be borne by each Commandery presenting a nomination. The Grand Recorder will bill each Commandery for the cost.

**NOMINATION FORM**  
**DUE NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2015**

**FOR A**  
**"FRIENDS" DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

TO: The Right Eminent Grand Commander:

It is the unanimous recommendation of the Eminent Commander, Generalissimo and Captain General of \_\_\_\_\_ Commandery No. \_\_\_\_\_, stationed at \_\_\_\_\_ that the following Friend of said Commandery, be and hereby is nominated to receive the Distinguished Service Award for Friends the Templar year \_\_\_\_\_.

4. His/Her full name is \_\_\_\_\_

5. His/Her residence is \_\_\_\_\_

6. The following facts are submitted as a justification for His/Her nomination:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(If further space is required, continue on backside or attach a separate sheet.)

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Eminent Commander  
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Approved: Grand Commander \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: Grand Recorder \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
OF INDIANA**



**Bulletin No. 4 Williams**

**April 29, 2017**

**Knights Templar Cross of Honor**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 237 (b) of the Statutes of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, USA, a meritorious award known as the Knights Templar Cross of Honor may be conferred by the Grand Master upon a deserving Sir Knight (or Knights, depending on Grand Commandery membership counts) of each Grand Commandery once each year.

Each Constituent Commandery of Indiana is invited to submit a nomination for the award. It is to be noted that this award is to be made only for exceptional and meritorious service rendered to the Order of Knights Templar far beyond the call of duty, and beyond the service usually expected of an Officer or Member. No elected Grand Commandery or Grand Encampment officer, past or present, is eligible to receive the award. This honor is for the Sir Knight of your Commandery who you consider has been, or is, outstanding in his Chivalric labors.

Should your Commandery desire to make a nomination for this award, you will use the following procedure.

1. Pass a resolution in your Commandery, naming the Sir Knight to be nominated.
2. Write to the Grand Recorder for a nomination form.
3. **Read the instructions on the reverse side of the form. Fill it out and forward it directly to the Grand Commander, Lawrence J. Williams at 797 Woodlawn Avenue, Chesterton, Indiana 46304**

The nomination form must be in the hands of the Grand Commander prior to **February 1, 2018**. Incomplete forms and those received after that date **will not** be considered. Your Commandery should reconsider those Sir Knights who have been nominated previously but who have never received the award.

This Bulletin shall be read at the first State Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017, A.O. 899.

Lawrence J. Williams, Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder



*Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana*  
**"KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR"**  
**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- (1) In accordance with the provisions of Section 237 (b) of the Statutes of the Grand Encampment, as amended at the 50th Triennial Conclave, the meritorious Award known as the **KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR**, shall be conferred by the Grand Master on behalf of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar to deserving Sir Knights of Constituent and Subordinate Commanderies upon certain conditions hereinafter set forth.
- (2) The **KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR** shall be awarded "only for exceptional and meritorious service rendered to the Order, far beyond the call of duty, and beyond the service usually expected of an officer or member." In deciding upon the award, precedents shall be entirely ignored and each case shall be decided upon its own unusual merits. No posthumous award shall be made, and no present or past elected Grand Officer of a Grand Commandery shall be eligible for the award.
- (3) Only one nomination may be made from a Grand Commandery membership of 5,000 or less, plus one additional nomination may be made by a Grand Commandery for each additional 5,000 of its members, or major fraction thereof, during any one year. Only one nomination may be made from the total of the Subordinate Commanderies during one year.
- (4) The procedure to be followed for making nominations for this Award shall be as follows:
- a. Any Constituent Commandery desiring to make a nomination shall first adopt a formal resolution, setting forth the full name of its nominee, and the nature of the meritorious service upon which such nomination is based.
  - b. The Commander of such Constituent Commandery shall thereupon cause to be filled-in a nomination form to be supplied by the Grand Recorder of his Grand Commandery, giving the date, full name of the nominee, address, and Templar rank, name of his Commandery and a statement of the nature of the meritorious service upon.
  - c. Such Nomination Form shall be signed by the Commander of such Constituent Commandery and shall be forwarded by him to the Grand Commander of his jurisdiction for consideration.
  - d. Such Grand Commander shall consider nominations made Constituent Commanderies of his Grand Commandery upon Nomination Forms and shall select only one nominee (more where qualified) in anyone year; upon making such selection, the Grand Commander shall affix his written approval to such Nomination Form and shall thereupon send the name to the Grand Master.
  - e. Any Subordinate Commandery desiring to make a nomination for this Award shall follow the same procedure as is set forth above for Constituent Commanderies, except that such Subordinate Commandery desiring to make a nomination, shall forward the Nomination Form to be supplied by the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment, and the same shall bear the written approval of the Commander of such Subordinate Commandery before being sent by to the Grand Master.
- (5) The **KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR** medal shall consist of a round, gold-finished medal, the outer circle of which shall bear the words "KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR," showing through in black enamel, and in the center shall appear the Patriarchal Cross of the Grand Encampment in purple enamel. Such medal shall be suspended from a gold-finished bar by two small chain links on either side; upon the face of the bar shall be engraved the name of the Sir Knight who shall be the recipient thereof. The **KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR** Medal may be worn upon the uniform by the recipient upon all occasions.
- (6) A suitable Certificate of Award, issued by the Grand Encampment, signed by the Grand Master and the Grand Recorder, and bearing the seal of the Grand Encampment thereon, shall accompany the medal. The Certificate shall contain a summary of the Citation upon which such Award is based.
- (7) It shall the responsibility of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar to provide the medals, the Certificates of Award for the **KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR**, without any cost to the recipient or to his Constituent or Grand Commandery, or his Subordinate Commandery. Presentation of the **KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR** Medals, Certificates shall be made at an appropriate ceremony by Grand Commanderies and Subordinate Commanderies, and a report thereof sent by the respective Recorder to the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment within thirty days thereafter.

**NOMINATION  
for the Award of  
"KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR"**

\_\_\_\_\_ Commandery No. \_\_\_\_\_, K.T., stationed at \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, adopted  
State Month Year

a motion to nominate the following Sir Knight, one of its own members, to be awarded the "Knights Templar Cross of Honor" for the Templar Year \_\_\_\_\_.

1. His full name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Full Name)

2. His residence is: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street (Number) City State Zip Code

3. His Templar Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

4. The following facts are submitted as a justification for his Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_; by \_\_\_\_\_  
Commander of \_\_\_\_\_ Commandery No. \_\_\_\_\_

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_; by \_\_\_\_\_  
Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of \_\_\_\_\_

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_; by \_\_\_\_\_  
Grand Master

**IMPORTANT:** Please follow instructions for filling in the form for Nomination for the Award of Knights Templar Cross of Honor. Rules and Regulations appear on the reverse side of this form.

Must be in the Grand Encampment office AT LEAST two (2) months prior to presentation



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OF INDIANA**



**Bulletin No. 5 Williams**

**July 3, 2017**

## **Holy Land Pilgrimage 2018**

To the Officers and Members of the Constituent Commanderies  
Of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana

We are pleased to announce the **2018 Holy Land Pilgrimage**. The only Pilgrimage will depart from JFK in New York, February 12, 2018, and return on February 22, 2018.

The itinerary will cover the major Holy Land sites. The pilgrim ministers chosen will have their entire roundtrip air fare paid from Indianapolis, IN to JFK, NY, then ELAL Airlines to Tel Aviv. As a guest of the Knights Templar, they will also receive three meals per day while in the Holy Land, lodging in a quality hotel, all admission fees to the various inspirational sites, gratuities for driver and guide, departure tax on return from Israel. Subject to release by the *Grand Master of the Grand Encampment*. **Please see all attached letters and forms.**

This will be a most exciting experience and is one, which every Knight Templar in Indiana can be proud to support. The Knights Templar of Indiana has sent over 200 ministers to Israel thus far. The number of ministers to be selected will depend on the amount of funds raised. The cost of sending a minister is approximately \$3,290.00 from JFK in New York. To the work, Sir Knights, draw your swords in defense of the Christian religion.

**Send your recommendation by September 15, 2017 to the Grand Commandery of Indiana on the enclosed Holy Land Pilgrimage form. Mail the form along with contributions to: Robert J. Frazer, 3208 N.W. "C" St., Richmond, IN 47374 Checks should be made payable to: "Holy Land Pilgrimage".**

This Bulletin shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2017, A.O. 899.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander  
ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder



# Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage

## GUIDELINES FOR THE SELECTION OF MINISTERS

The following are the selection criteria suggested for use in choosing ministers for the Knight Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage. Please carefully consider these guidelines before inviting ministers to apply.

**Please take careful note, the guidelines have recently changed.**

Ministers to be considered should:

- Have **never traveled to the Holy Land** before.
- Be serving in some form of **Credentialed Ministry** (Ordained, Certified, Licensed, etc.) A copy of the minister's credentials (certificate or letter) is to accompany the nomination form.
- Be currently serving in a **leadership ministry**, with regular preaching responsibility. This means that they are employed by the church in a leadership role and that ministry is considered their primary source of income.
- Have **served at least one year** in full time ministry in a primary leadership role as pastor / minister.
- Have **at least ten years of full time service** remaining in their active ministry. This opportunity is intended to enhance the ongoing preaching, teaching and overall biblical understanding of the participant, and in turn, benefit those they serve.
- Be of **good physical health** (if the idea of walking a brisk mile or more – uphill, non-stop, with steps - is a concern, this may not be the program from which this person would benefit). This is a physically rigorous program.
- Be willing to travel with an **ecumenical group** of other ministers from many denominations and religious groups, both male and female ministers, and maintain a professional and courteous attitude toward all.
- Be willing to travel in a program sponsored by the **Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the USA**, an appendant organization of **Freemasonry**.
- Be willing to travel **without their spouse**. This is non-negotiable.
- Have the understanding that this is a **strenuous educational and spiritual study seminar / historical & cultural immersion experience** and not a vacation trip.



**QUESTIONNAIRE FOR  
MINISTERS / NOMINATION  
FORM 2018**

1. FULL FIRST MIDDLE & LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

2. HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY / STATE / ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

3. TELEPHONE: area code (\_\_\_\_\_) home: \_\_\_\_\_ work \_\_\_\_\_ mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

4. AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Spouse's name, if married: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years married: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Children's name(s) and age(s), if any: \_\_\_\_\_

7. HIGHER EDUCATION - give name of school, years attended, and degrees achieved:

8. Type of ordination and name of body conferring ordination (***please attach a copy of your ordination certificate***):

9. Name of Church you currently serve and its complete address (including city, state & zip) and **office phone**:

10. Number of years in **full time ordained ministry**: \_\_\_\_\_

11. List other churches, years served, and positions held: \_\_\_\_\_

12. Have you ever been to the Holy Land? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, give the date(s) and the single most inspiring site visited:

13a. Why would you like to travel to the Holy Land? \_\_\_\_\_

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13b. Upon your return, how might this experience effect your ministry? \_\_\_\_\_

14. Masonic affiliation, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

15. Why did you elect to become a minister? \_\_\_\_\_

16. **Please obtain a signature** from the Chair of your Personnel Committee, Church Board, District or Regional Supervisor, etc. If selected to be a Pilgrim Minister on the Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage, this pastor will be granted leave to participate.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name and Contact information: \_\_\_\_\_

17. Are you willing to travel to the Holy Land as a guest of the Knights Templar? \_\_\_\_\_

18. Are you willing to travel to the Holy Land WITHOUT your spouse (this is not negotiable)? \_\_\_\_\_

19. Are you willing to be a part of a traveling group made up of members of many other denominations? \_\_\_\_\_

20. Do you know of any Knights Templar in your church? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please list name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

21. Are you aware of any health problems which would prevent or limit your participation in this strenuous trip? \_\_\_\_\_

22. Do you require medication? \_\_\_\_\_

23. What is the size of your congregation? \_\_\_\_\_

24. Number of ministers serving the congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

25. Do you hold a valid passport for travel to Israel? \_\_\_\_\_  
If no, do you foresee any difficulty in obtaining one? \_\_\_\_\_

26. If chosen, will you be able to travel on the dates, **Feb 12 to Feb 22, 2018**? \_\_\_\_\_

27. Has your name ever been submitted as a Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage nominee in the past? \_\_\_\_\_

**I commit to clearing my personal calendar and making the necessary arrangements with the church to facilitate my full participation and travel with the Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage if selected.**

Minister's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

28. Recommending Commandery: \_\_\_\_\_ Commandery No. \_\_\_\_\_

29. Recommending Commander's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

30. Recommending Commandery– Contact person for info, details, and arrangements (name, address, phones, & email):



## GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA



Bulletin No. 6 Williams

October 30, 2017

### Christmas Message

Christmas marks the human birth of Jesus, our Lord and Savior, but it does not mark the beginning of His existence. As the Son of God, He existed with the Father long before He was conceived in Mary's womb.

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. John 1: 1 – 2 (NIV).*

While “the Word” was distinct from the Father, Jesus was God in the fullest sense. And He had a clearly stated purpose.

*Therefore, when Christ came into the world, he said: Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me; with burnt offerings and sin offerings you were not pleased. Then I said, 'Here I am – it is written about me in the scroll, - I have come to do your will, O God.'” Hebrews 10: 5 – 7 (NIV)*

This is what was happening when Jesus was born. We know of course about the angels and the shepherds (and the little drummer boy). We know about Caesar's decree that led to Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem. We know about the manger, the Wise Men and the star that led them from the east. We even know about Herod's evil plan to kill the baby Jesus. But in Hebrews, Paul tells us a part of the Christmas story we may not know. From the moment He stepped on earth, or should I say, made His appearance, He declares His path and duty and professes His obedience to God. The sacrifices and offerings that Jesus refers to as only being preparatory and temporary, with a view to the one perfect and final offering – that of the incarnate Son of God. And above all, He declares, “I have come to do your will, O God.” That is what I think Christmas is according to Jesus. This is what he was thinking on the night before Christmas some 2,000 year ago.

So, as you gather with your family, enjoy meals together, and exchange gifts, remember that “*T'was the Night Before Christmas*” has an entirely different meaning than creatures stirring, children nestled all snug in their bed and stockings being hung by the chimney with care. As the Christmas day of joy returns, may our Father in Heaven and crown you with another year with peace and good will. Rightly to remember the birth of Jesus that you may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds and the worship of the wise men. May He open the doors of love and good will in your life and may kindness come with step you take. May our Lord and Savior bless you with the abundance of His will and path for you. May the Christmas morning make you happy to be with your children, and to be His child.

And may Christmas evening bring you to our bed with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake.

Dave Cincoski

Grand Prelate

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To the Grand Prelate and the all Sir Knights of Indiana,

Seasons and Knightly Greetings,

I want to thank the Grand Prelate, Dave Cincoski, for his words of what this season is about. As he has said, it is more than just family and gifts. Truly it is that, but at the same time much more. It is about others and not ourselves. We need to learn to sacrifice part of our ego and become more selfless in our daily lives and become more helping toward others. At the same time, we need to learn to become humbler in our actions with all of mankind, especially those with whom we may disagree.

May we learn to express ourselves as if every day is Christmas. May we never forget the lessons that are taught during this season of the birth of the Son of God.

Finally, I want to express my appreciation of support and the warm fraternal greetings that I and my Lady Claire have received this year. It has been very humbling.

We extend our warmest Christmas wishes to every one of you and hope that you have a Happy New Year.

This Bulletin shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 30th<sup>day</sup> of October, A.D. 2017, A.O. 899.



Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:



George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





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**Bulletin No. 7 Williams**

**January 3, 2018**

## **Resignation of Grand Warder**

Sir Knight Keven W. Spencer, KCT, Grand Warder, and Battalion Commander of Battalion No.8 has resigned from his duties in that station.

Therefore, it is necessary to direct as follows:

I have decided to fill the position by appointing Sir Knight Randy Spaulding as Warder, the station of Sentinel shall remain vacant until further notice.

Sir Knight, Michael Robbins will assume the duties as Battalion Commander of Battalion No. 7 and Battalion No. 8 until further notice.

This Bulletin shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, A.D. 2018, A.O. 900.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





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**Bulletin No. 8 Williams**

**January 3, 2018**

**Conferring of Orders at the Tri State Festival**

By order of the Grand Commander, the following information is hereby disseminated.

In keeping with the desire of this Grand Commandery to assist and participate in other Jurisdictions, thereby exemplifying the Templary in its finest.

Permission is granted to permit candidates from other Jurisdictions to have courtesy Orders conferred at the Tri-State Festival in Angola, Indiana on March 3, 2018.

Permission is also granted to permit Sir Knights from other Jurisdiction, to participate in said Orders.

This Dispensation shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, A.D. 2018, A.O. 900.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





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**Bulletin No. 9 Williams**

**January 9, 2018**

**St. Anselm Commandery U.D. Repurposed**

By order of the Grand Commander, the following information is hereby disseminated.

St. Anselm Commandery has traditional been used as a Holding Commandery for Sir Knights who are not members of an active Commandery.

Effective today it is my order that the Commandery will also act as a Commandery of Research for the benefit of the Sir Knights and the Fraternity. In time it is my expectation that the Commandery will publish Research papers and be available to make presentations in Commanderies and when requested in Symbolic Lodges or other organizations.

Membership in this Commandery is limited to members in good standing in a Commandery under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment.

This Bulletin shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, A.D. 2018, A.O. 900.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC,  
Grand Recorder





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**Bulletin No. 10 Williams**

**January 25, 2018**

**The One Hundred Sixty-Fourth Annual Conclave of the  
Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana**

To the Officers and Members of the Constituent Commanderies of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana

We are pleased to announce that the One Hundred Sixty-Fourth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana will be held in the City of Noblesville on Friday April 27, 2018 and Saturday, April 28, 2018.

The Conclave Committee are completing arrangements for extending a courteous welcome and Knightly Greetings to the visiting Sir Knights and their Ladies, who will honor them by attending the One Hundred Sixty-Fourth Annual Conclave. Exit 210 of I69 and its surroundings have ample facilities and many shopping opportunities at Hamilton Town Center Mall. An interesting Conclave for both the Sir Knights and their Ladies has been arranged.

Sir Knight Tony Peterson, and Lady Monica Peterson are the General Chairman for The One Hundred Sixth-Fourth Annual Conclave. The Right Eminent Grand Commander Lawrence J. Williams and Lady Claire and Sir Knight James L. Dove, Past Grand Commander are the honorary Chairmen.

A large representation of the Officers and Sir Knights of each of our Constituent Commanderies will be greatly appreciated by the Grand Commander and the Officers of the Grand Commandery.

**HEADQUARTERS**

The Headquarters hotel will be the Embassy Suites by Hilton – Indianapolis, Noblesville  
13700 Conference Center Drive South, Noblesville, IN 46060.

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

Commanders, Officers and Past Commanders of the Constituent Commanderies as well as individual Sir Knights who desire hotel accommodations should make their reservations directly with the Embassy Suits by calling [1-800-HILTONS \(1-800-445-8667\)](tel:1-800-445-8667) A block of rooms is available at a nightly rate of \$129.00 plus tax (single or double occupancy) included is a Hot Cooked to order Breakfast under the name of “2018 Masonic Grand York Rite Session.” code **HFW1-AV5J3Y** or going to the Web site

@ <http://www.indianaknightstemplar.com/> Lodging reservations must be made by **March 10, 2018** to secure the special room rate. **Make your reservations NOW. You can cancel up to 72 hours prior to your check-in time.**

**DO NOT CALL THE HOTEL DIRECT AT THEIR 317 NUMBER..... They cannot and will not make your room reservations.** Ample free parking is readily available at the hotel.

**REGISTRATION**

All Sir Knights MUST register to secure programs and tickets.

Registration will be located in the foyer area outside **Waters “E”**. Register on Friday from **4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.** On Saturday, the Sir Knights may register from **7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.** There is no registration fee.

### HOSPITALITY ROOM

The Hospitality Room will be available from **7:00 a.m.** to **5:00 p.m.** daily and from **9:00 p.m.** to **11:00 p.m.** Please check the Hotel monitors for the room location.

### MEALS

The **Breakfast** for the Sir Knights and Ladies will be **Atrium Dinning Area** and is part of your room charge and is open from **6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.**

A **Manager's Social Hour** will be available in the **Atrium** from **5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** each evening prior to the banquets.

The **Grand Commander's Banquet** will be held in the **Creekside Ball Room at 7:00 p.m.**, on Friday, April 27, 2018, by ticket only.

A **Ladies' Program** will be in the "**Board Room**" on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at **10:00am**. The **Ladies' Luncheon** will be held in the **Creekside Room "A"** on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at **12:00 Noon**, by ticket only.

The **Sir Knights Luncheon** will be held in the **Creekside Rooms "C"** on, Saturday, April 28, 2018 at **12:00 Noon**, by ticket only.

The Joint York Rite Banquet will be held in the **Creekside Ball Room** on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at **7:00 p.m.**, by ticket only.

\*\*\*\* *A meal reservation form with menu choices and prices are posted at the website at <http://www.indianaknightstemplar.com/>*

### GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS' MEETING

The Grand Officers, to include Deputy Battalion Commanders for the years 2017 – 2018 and 2018 – 2019, will meet in the **Board Room at 1:00 p.m.** on Friday, April 27, 2018.

### JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEES

The Jurisprudence Committees will meet in the **Board Room at 2:00 p.m.** on Friday, April 27, 2018. The Chairmen of all other committees are requested to meet with their members in the Atrium at the same time so that reports can be prepared and ready when called for in the business sessions, if they have not been preprinted for distribution.

### DIVINE SERVICE

Divine Services will be held, in the **Waters "E"** on Friday, April 27, 2018 at **4:00 p.m.**

### PAST COMMANDERS ASSOCIATION

The Past Commander Association will open in the **Stoney Creek Room at 7:00 am** on Saturday April 28, 2018. Registration for this meeting is available on line at:

<http://www.indianaknightstemplar.com/> Or contact the Recorder, Allen Dale Foreman at 765-717-3722 or email [dale\\_nancyforeman@att.net](mailto:dale_nancyforeman@att.net)

### CONVENING OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY

The Grand Commandery will convene in **Waters "E"** on Saturday April 28, 2018. LaPorte Commandery #12 will open the Grand Conclave at **8:30 a.m.** for the first business session. A recess of the Grand Conclave will be called at 11:45 a.m. for lunch. The business session will reconvene at **1:00 p.m.** Nomination of Officers will be made at 10:35 a.m. with the election of Officers to follow.

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**GRAND OFFICERS INSTALLATION**

Installation of the 2018 – 2019 Grand Commandery Officers will be held in **Waters “E”** at **3:00 p.m.** on Saturday, April 28, 2018 prior to the Joint York Rite Banquet.

**PICTURES**

Pictures of all Grand Officers, their Ladies, and Deputy Battalion Commanders and their Ladies will be taken beginning at **4:00 p.m.**, in the **Waters “E”** on Saturday, April 28, 2018.

**COMPETITIVE DRILLS**

Competitive Drills, at the state level, will be held for all Commanderies wishing to enter the competition. Drill Schedules have been designed by, and may be secured from, the Chairman of Competitive Drills, SK William Short.

All Drills will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018 at **Skateland**, in Columbus, IN. Drill, personal inspection, and team photo will begin at **8:30am**.

Prizes and Awards for Drill Competition will be awarded at the **York Rite Banquet** Saturday evening, April 27, 2018.

**OFFICERS DUTY TO ATTEND GRAND CONCLAVE**

It is the duty of the Commander, the Generalissimo and the Captain General of Constituent Commanderies to attend the Conclaves of their Grand Commandery. (Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A., Section 67.) This is for the benefit and interest of their respective Commanderies as well as the Grand Commandery.

**CREDENTIALS & PROXIES**

The Officers of the Grand Commandery, and the Commander, Generalissimo and Captain General of each Constituent Commandery, who are unable to attend the Conclave, are entitled to be represented and to vote by proxy. Proxies must be filed with the Grand Recorder, or the Credentials Committee, on or before the day of the Conclave, Saturday, April 28, 2018.

This Bulletin **MUST** be read at the first Conclave of each Commandery after its receipt and at the April Conclave in order that the Officers and Sir Knights may be fully informed of the details contained herein with reference to the One Hundred Sixty-Fourth Annual Grand Conclave to be held in Noblesville, IN on April 28, 2018.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2018.



Lawrence J. Williams  
Grand Commander



ATTEST: George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC  
Grand Recorder





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**Bulletin No. 11 Williams**

**February 15, 2018**

**Easter Message**

I am not a morning person. Someone I once knew told me that there are two kinds of morning people; those who say, “Good Morning, Lord!” and those who say, “Good Lord, it’s morning!” This past week, I was up three times past 2:00 am, 6:00 am is definitely a good time to still be in bed. But, there are a number of good things that happen in the morning. Breakfast (my favorite meal of the day, no matter what time I get up), you get more things done when you get up early (so they tell me) and you get to see the dark of night blossom into the glowing day, a great time to view the rising sun.

*“When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Salome brought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus’ body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on the way to the tomb.” Mark 16: 1-2 (NIV).*

In 30 A.D., women of the time had to be morning people. These women were setting out to anoint the body of Jesus as an act of their love and devotion. And since the text says they were going to anoint Jesus’ body, they obviously had no expectations of His resurrection. When they approach the tomb, they discover the stone rolled away from the entrance.

*“As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. ‘Don’t be alarmed,’ he said. ‘You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him.’ Mark 16: 5-6 (NIV).*

I’m sure these women had breakfast before they left and historical references tell us that since they arrived at the tomb just after sunrise, they must have left on this journey while it was still dark. They were on their way to complete in important task and got to see the earthly darkness change to the light of a new day. But, the more revealing reference to this is they got to see the darkness of death overcome by the beauty of the Light that forever overcame that darkness, by the resurrection of our Savior, the glorious conclusion of His hallowed sacrifice, and to hear the angel’s glorious exclamation, “He is risen!”

This Easter be that morning person that says, “Good Morning, Lord!” See the beauty and saving grace of the Light as these women did. It is a great thing to leave the darkness and enter the day. May the revelation of the empty tomb lead you from the darkness of night to the full majesty of day. May the blessings of the risen Son cast His rays to you and to all Sir Knights, wherever they may be.

*“I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints.” Ephesians 1: 17-18 (NIV)*

## **Grand Commander's Response,**

I want to thank our Grand Prelate for his Easter Message. His is a message about the resurrection of Christ after the crucifixion. This is the foundation of our faith. In his message he referred to Mary the mother of James, Mary Magdalene and Salome on their journey to anoint Jesus's body after his crucifixion and as they traveled they were able "...to see the earthly darkness change to the light of a new day."

I think this is also an analogy to our everyday lives. It should remind us that each time that we confront and overcome problems or losses through the power of prayer and meditation, all is possible and is allegorically speaking moving from "...earthly darkness...to the light of a new day..." This, in my mind, is like a small resurrection of ourselves.

Each time we forgive a perceived wrong that is done to us we grow, and that is in its self a resurrection or growth of our personal self. This is because we have stepped from the dark thoughts and actions, to the light of realization that all is possible if we let go of what troubles us and look to God for strength and guidance.

I hope that each of you take some time to contemplate the meaning and significance of this important season. May God Bless each and every one of you and your extended families.

This Bulletin shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, A.D. 2018, A.O. 900.



Lawrence J. Williams  
Grand Commander



ATTEST: George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC  
Grand Recorder



# Grand Encampment of Knights Templar



**THE APARTMENTS OF THE GRAND PRELATE  
*and*  
THE RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

Year of Our Lord 2017 to all Valiant and Magnanimous Knights of the Temple, wheresoever dispersed throughout Christendom ~ Salutations and Knightly Greetings:

**A TOAST TO OUR MOST EMINENT GRAND MASTER**

**CHRISTMAS 2017**

We offer a toast to you, our Most Eminent Grand Master, during this your ultimate year leading the Chivalric Masons of this Grand Encampment in these United States of America and in all countries where Knights Templar who bear you allegiance may be found.

We celebrate this Christmas season, remembering the gift given to us in a baby born to the Virgin Mary, who was greeted by magi and shepherds. She, who in her birthing of Jesus, was accompanied by lambs, oxen, and donkeys. We remember the glorious visit of Jesus to the Temple where He was received by Simeon and Anna and blessed by them. So may we, as Knights of the Temple, bless our Lord and Captain this season with our best efforts to welcome the stranger, bind the wounds of the afflicted, care for the widows and orphans, and defend our churches with the sword of our integrity and the shield of our commitment to righteousness.

To you, Grand Master, we raise our voices in the most profound fraternal love. We are grateful for all that you have given us directly by your leadership of Templary and indirectly in the wise and gracious ways in which you represent all of us where ever you travel in Masonic, educational, medical or professional circles. We pledge you and your lady, Georgia, our loving support for the remainder of your term and for all succeeding years. As you bring us light in this coming year, may you be led by the Light of the World, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We toast you and Lady Georgia and wish for you a blessed Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year.

*A toast to you, Most Eminent Grand Master!*

In His Name,

Sir Knight and Reverend Kenneth D. Fuller, P.G.C., Chairman

***The Committee on Religious Activities***

Sir Knight and Reverend William D. Hartman, Grand Prelate

Sir Knight and Reverend Terry L. Hensley, P.G.C.

Sir Knight and Reverend James R. Herrington, P.G.C.



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**Dispensation No. 1- Williams**

**April 29, 2017**

**Special Dispensation – St. Anselm**

By Order of the Grand Commander, the following information is hereby disseminated:  
Dispensation is hereby granted to St. Anselm Commandery to operate in accordance with Section 48C of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, and is authorized to continue under dispensation until the close of the Grand Conclave on April 30, 2018. St. Anselm shall continue to operate in accordance with the Rules of Chapter VII of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America. This General Order shall be read at the first Stated Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and made part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017, A.O. 899.

Lawrence J. Williams, Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC  
Grand Recorder





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**General Order No. 1 Williams**

**April 29, 2017**

**Annual Inspection of Constituent Commanderies**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 851 and 852 of the Laws of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Indiana, it is hereby ordered that the Constituent Commanderies of the Jurisdiction be inspected.

1. The Battalion Commander shall inspect each Commandery within his Battalion with the following exceptions:
  - The Grand Inspector General will inspect the designated primary Commandery of each elected Grand Officer, excluding the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder.
  - A fellow Grand Line Officer will inspect the designated primary Commandery of each appointed Grand Officer, if it is within the Battalion of the latter. Only the Grand Commander may authorize other exceptions or substitutions.
2. Each Inspecting Officer will send a "Notice of Inspection" courtesy letter to the Eminent Commander and Recorder at least 30 days prior to the Inspection. The letter will confirm the date, time, and Inspecting Officer's time of arrival and request the completion of specified reports. The Recorder shall provide the completed reports to the Inspecting Officers upon his arrival.
3. The records Inspection shall consist of:
  - A report on the membership efforts.
  - Examination of the books, records, and accounts.
  - Examination of the paraphernalia and property of the Commandery.
  - Examination of the Activity sheet.
4. No Inspection will be deemed complete until the Inspecting Officer has reviewed all books and financial records. If they are not presented at the Inspection, it shall be the duty of the responsible Officer (Treasurer or Recorder) to deliver the same to the Inspecting Officer within seven (7) days. Failure to comply may cause the Commandery to be placed upon probation until the obligation has been fulfilled.
5. Each Inspection will start promptly on the date(s) and time(s) mutually agreed upon with the respective Inspecting Officer. The inspection process maybe completed over two (2) meetings, with one of the meetings for the Reception of the Grand Commander. This will be scored for informational purposes only.
6. The second part of the inspection will be for the conferral of the Order of the Temple. The full inspection may be done in one day, if desired. All inspections must be complete by the first Saturday in December 2017.
7. It is preferred that the regularly elected and appointed officers of the Commandery fill their

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respective stations during the Reception and Order conferral. If necessary, officers and members may assume other stations, particularly during the Order. Commanderies are encouraged to work with each other to provide any needed assistance. If an actual candidate is present, the quality of the work is of prime importance.

8. Receptions/Inspections may consist of up to three (3) separate Commanderies participating together for an official inspection. Points for the inspection will only be awarded when a participating Commandery has six (6) or more of its member's present (subject to review by the Battalion Commander and the Grand Commander).
9. The **Reception of the Grand Commander** is voluntary. Those participating Commanderies will use either the Ten Man or Twelve Man Reception in accordance with the most recent official interpretation of the Ritual and official Indiana Asylum Tactics (Revised 07/31/2011 as posted on the Grand Commandery Web Site). One-hundred (100) points for a Public Reception will be added to the Activities Sheet for all participating Commanderies. (The **Reception** will be graded for informational purposes only.)
  - The public may be invited into the Asylum while:
    - The Commandery receives the Commander
    - The Commander receives Distinguished Guest
    - The Sword manual is performed
    - The Commandery is inspected for uniform
    - The Triangle is formed
    - The United States Flag and lecture is given
10. The **Inspection** will be on the:
  - **Opening/Closing:** Using the 10-Man Closed Opening with the "Reception of the Commander", "Reception of the Inspecting Officer and his staff" and then communicating the "Pilgrim's Warriors Word", the "Pilgrim's Penitent Word" and the "Immaculate Word" across the lines and then forming the Triangle for prayer, after prayer the giving of the Signs. At this point the Triangle will be dismissed for the rehearsal of duties.
  - **Order of the Temple** will be exemplified.
11. Commanderies may separately or jointly confer the Order in accordance with one of the following options at the time and place with the consent of the Battalion Commander. The inspection of the Order of the Temple may occur any time after June 1, 2017 and prior to the first Sunday in December 2017.
  - A single Commandery may confer the Order of the Temple for points as graded by the score sheet by the Battalion Commander and his staff, if the 2/3's of parts are filled by the inspected Commandery.
  - Same as above with the exception that up to three (3) Commanderies may participate with the same points being given to all the participating Commanderies. As long as each Commandery present has at least six (6) Sir Knights present at the work.
  - An Instructional maybe held in lieu of an Inspection on the Order of the Temple when the Inspecting Officer, with the concurrence of the Grand Inspector General, deems that change to be in the best interests of the Commandery.
12. The Inspecting Officer shall make his inspection report of each Commandery to the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Inspector General, the Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Recorder, as well as the Eminent Commander and the Recorder of the inspected Commandery within fourteen (14) days following the completion of the inspection. A full report of the Inspections will be discussed at the winter meeting and present for publication

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and appropriate recognition at the Annual Conclave.

13. The Battalion Guidon will be awarded to the Commandery in each Battalion who has the highest ritualistic score. The ritualistic score shall be the score of the **“Opening and Closing”** combined with that of the **“Order of the Temple”**. All Commanderies will be graded according to the forms and procedures adopted for that purpose.
14. The two Commanderies scoring highest in each battalion on the **“Activity Score Sheet”** will also be recognized by a ribbon that may be attached to the Commandery Beauceant. The Commandery with the highest activity score in the state will receive the Grand Commandery Guidon for the coming year.

This Order shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2017, A.O. 899.



Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander  
ATTESTED:



George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





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General Order No. 2 Williams

April 29, 2017

**Special Dispensations**

By Order of the Grand Commander, the following information is hereby disseminated:

**ITEM NO. 1** Dispensation is hereby granted to all Constituent Commanderies to appear in uniform at any and all Patriotic Activities, such as, (but not limited to) Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Veterans Day.

**ITEM NO. 2** Dispensation is hereby granted to all Constituent Commanderies to move their Charter and to appear in uniform at any time to portray the Orders of Templary or to assist in any ceremonies at the Indiana Masonic Home.

**ITEM NO. 3** Constituent Recorders are hereby requested, prior to requesting a Dispensation for any purpose, to first read the following Sections of the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar 214, 215, 48(f)3, 177, 76, 145, and 48(f)1.

**ITEM NO. 4** Constituent Commanderies are strongly urged to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag at the opening of each Stated and Called Conclave.

**ITEM NO. 5** A Constituent Commandery is not required to obtain special permission in order to meet and conduct business jointly with Chapter and/or Council. Such authority is found in Section 65(c) of the Laws of the Grand Encampment.

This Order shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first Stated Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2017, A.O. 899.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander  
ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
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**General Order No. 3 Williams**

**April 29, 2017**

**Mentoring New Members and Junior Officers**

Maintaining interest in new Sir Knights and preparing Junior Officers for future leadership are important issues in the life of any Commandery. An active mentoring program can achieve these goals and the following program is directed for implementation and monitoring by each Commandery.

- Upon Knighting, each Sir Knight will have a mentor assigned whose responsibility it will be to cause the new Sir Knight to remain an active member by inviting him to all functions personally, helping him become involved in the Commandery to the extent the new Sir Knight is able, and answering all questions that he and his family pose.
- The Commander be responsible to provide a **"New Member Packet"** to the new Sir Knight containing information about the Commandery and Templary. This may include a calendar, newsletter, Commandery history, philanthropies, and information on Conclaves, activities, and officers.
- Each new officer in the line will also be assigned a mentor, preferably a Past Commander or Dais Officer, to provide guidance and encouragement to the new officer and to instruct and answer questions he will have as he advances.
- The officer's mentor shall make certain that the new officer has the proper ritual, tactics, officer's handbook bylaws, and other information he needs to succeed. The mentor shall assist the new officer in preparing his uniform and equipment and assist him with proficiency in protocols and practices.

The Recorder will maintain a record of the assignment of mentors and include that information with his books for annual inspection. A suggested place for keeping this information is the membership book or log of the Commandery.

The Generalissimo will be assigned to administer and monitor the mentorship program and to oversee the development of new Sir Knights and officers. I have requested the Battalion Commanders and Deputies to assist you, the Generalissimo, in implementing the program.

This order shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at the first State Conclave following its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2017, A.O. 899.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander  
ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





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**General Order No. 4 Williams**

**April 29, 2017**

**Libations for Candidates under the Age of 21**

During the Order of the Temple, any candidate who is under 21 years of age must only receive non-alcoholic libations.

This General Order shall be read at the first Stated Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and made part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2017, A.O. 899.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





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**General Order No. 5 Williams**

**April 29, 2017**

**R. Frank Williams Award Program**

Sir Knight R. Frank Williams, KCT, PGC, HPDC and GPE who passed July 2, 2014 was instrumental in the National Holy Land Pilgrimage Program for over 25 years. He was the spearhead in getting Indiana involved in this great work.

Therefore, an award, being established in 2015 and will be continued in his honor. This Indiana Award will be given to the Commandery that contributes the most money to the Holy Land fund each year. Whether you pay the full price of a minister to go to the Holy Land or just donate money to help send a minister, everything that is donated from your Commandery will count toward your Commandery's annual donation. The year will run from January 1 to December 31 of each year. Nominations of ministers to go to the Holy Land may be submitted to the Holy Land Committee, who will then select the minister to go based upon the funds available. Your Commandery may pay and select a minister of your choice by paying the complete cost of the trip.

The R. Frank Williams Award, a traveling trophy, will be presented at the Grand Conclave the following year for that Commandery to display for the year. A plaque will be placed on the award with your Commandery's name and year in which the award was presented.

It is the goal of the Grand Commandery of Indiana that we raise sufficient funds each year through the R. Frank Williams Award to send at least one minister to the Holy Land. The Grand Commandery is asking that each Commandery in the State of Indiana set a goal to donate at least \$100.00 to the Holy Land fund each year. Those Commanderies that donate at \$100.00 or more will receive a certificate showing the amount of their donation. With the continued funding, we will be able to meet our goal of sending at least one minister to the Holy Land from the State of Indiana each year.

This Order shall be read in all Constituent Commanderies at their first Stated Conclave after its receipt and be made a part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017, A. O. 899

Lawrence J. Williams, Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
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**General Order No. 6 Williams**

**August 16, 2017**

**Draping of Commandery Charters**

Due to the death of and to honor Sir Knight Walter P. Worland, PGC it is my order that the Charter of each Commandery be draped for a period of thirty (30) days.

This General Order shall be read at the first Stated Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and made part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, A.D. 2017, A.O. 899.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder





**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
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**General Order No. 7 Williams**

**October 23, 2017**

**Draping of Commandery Charters**

Due to the death of and to honor Sir Knight Paul A. Cole, PGC it is my order that the Charter of each Commandery be draped for a period of thirty (30) days.

This General Order shall be read at the first Stated Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and made part of the minutes.

Grand Commandery Officer will continue to wear a black ribbon on their jewel of office until the Annual Conclave April 28, 2018. Members may also wear the black ribbon, if they desired to do so in honor of both Sir Knight Walter P. Worland, PGC and Sir Knight Paul A. Cole, PGC.

This General Order shall be read at the first Stated Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and made part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October, A.D. 2017, A.O. 899.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC  
Grand Recorder





**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
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**General Order No. 8 Williams**

**April 2, 2018**

**Draping of Commandery Charters**

Due to the death of and to honor Sir Knight Duane Stucker, PGC it is my order that the Charter of each Commandery be draped for a period of thirty (30) days.

This General Order shall be read at the first Stated Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and made part of the minutes.

Grand Commandery Officer will continue to wear a black ribbon on their jewel of office until the Annual Conclave April 28, 2018. Members may also wear the black ribbon, if they desired to do so in honor of both Sir Knight Walter P. Worland, KCT, PGC, Sir Knight Paul A. Cole, KCT, PGC and Duane Stucker, KCT, PGC.

This General Order shall be read at the first Stated Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and made part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, A.D. 2018, A.O. 900.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC  
Grand Recorder





**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
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**General Order No. 9 Williams**

**April 12, 2018**

**Draping of Commandery Charters**

Due to the death of and to honor Sir Knight James S. DeMond, PGC it is my order that the Charter of each Commandery be draped for a period of thirty (30) days.

This General Order shall be read at the first Stated Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and made part of the minutes.

Grand Commandery Officer will continue to wear a black ribbon on their jewel of office until the Annual Conclave April 28, 2018. Members may also wear the black ribbon, if they desired to do so in honor of both Sir Knight Walter P. Worland, KCT, PGC, Sir Knight Paul A. Cole, KCT, PGC, Duane Stucker, KCT, PGC and James S. DeMond, KGC, PGC, PDC.

This General Order shall be read at the first Stated Conclave of each Constituent Commandery following its receipt and made part of the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2018, A.O. 900.

Lawrence J. Williams,  
Grand Commander

ATTESTED:

George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC  
Grand Recorder



**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**

**Indiana Past Commanders Association Report  
April 28, 2018**

The annual meeting was held on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton in Noblesville, In., previous to the Grand Commanders Annual Conclave in due form, Knight Commander, John McClelland, presiding.

A motion was made to confer the Past Commander's Degree before the business and it passed

The Past Commanders Degree was conferred on twenty candidates. They were:

Larry A. Sisk	Commandery #20
Gary W. Roberts	Commandery #68
George M. Weir, Jr.	Commandery #5
James H. Fairchild	Commandery #39
Jimmie Milliman	Commandery #45
Patrick Michael Briney	Commandery #65
Mark C. Lewis	Commandery #62
Michael A. Butcher	Commandery #13
Jerry L. Hawk	Commandery #32
David Allen	Commandery #64
Lewis Hill	Commandery #2
Joseph L. Sparks	Commandery #25
Barry Bill Lyndon White	Commandery #14
Rickey Spoonmore	Commandery #63
Jeffery Hurley	Commandery #42
Mark Andy	Commandery #61
Gordon Hill	Commandery #57
Jason Miller	Commandery #4
Jeremy McGraw	Commandery #35
Shelby Olvey	Commandery #68

The minutes were read and approved.

Bank Balance as of April 28, 2018 of \$12,147.41.

New Business:

A motion was made and passed to donate \$500.00 to the Holy Land Pilgrimage.

A motion was made to accept Jeff Ping's resignation as Knight Captain General.

The Nominating committee move that all officers move up except the Recorder Treasurer and to appoint a Warder and Sentinel.

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**Officers for 2018 -2019**

Knight Commander.....Bruce Frazer  
Knight Generalissimo.....Steve Maxwell  
Knight Captain General.....Ed Fodrea  
Knight Prelate.....Arthur Tuesburg  
Knight Warder.....Shelby Olvey  
Knight Sentinel.....Patrick M. Briney  
Knight Recorder / Treasurer...Allen Dale Foreman

The Officers were installed by: Past Knight Commander Edward L. Sebring, KTCH  
In attendance were twenty Candidates, six officers and ten lecturers, for a total of thirty-six.  
The meeting was closed in form by Knight Commander Bruce Frazer.

Fraternally Submitted,  
Allen Dale Foreman, Recorder/Treasurer  
Indiana Past Commanders Association

**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**

**OFFICERS OF THE CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Commandery</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Commander 2017</b>	<b>Recorder 2017</b>
1	Raper	Indianapolis	David E. Strader	Randy Spaulding
2	Baldwin	Shelbyville	Christopher Thomas	Donnie A. Robinette
4	Fort Wayne	Fort Wayne	Mark Goble	James Coleman
5	New Albany	New Albany	Carl Whiteman	Jeffery McMahan
6	Connerville	Connerville	Jerry Fray	David Bertch
8	Richmond	Richmond	Dennis H. Rigsby	Charles Maines
11	Greencastle	Greencastle	Frosty Brewer	W. Kris Phillips
12	LaPorte	LaPorte	Dion Diakis	Richard Bechinski
13	South Bend	South Bend	Alfred Lemmon	James Welling, Sr.
14	Columbus	Columbus	Edward Brown	Stephen Kroman
15	LaValette	Evansville	Eric Smith	C. Keith Spurgeon
16	Terre Haute	Terre Haute	Jerry L. Burns	Mark A. Kester, Sr.
19	Apollo	Auburn	Troy Snyder	Larry L. Spade
20	Vincennes	Vincennes	Joseph Williams	Mark A. Wallace
21	Grant County	Gas City	Michael Winters	Gary Sherretze
25	Crawfordsville	Crawfordsville	Irvan Boeglin	John Phillips
28	Valparaiso	Valparaiso	Thomas Johnson	James Iles, II
29	Frankfort	Frankfort	Dennis Perkins	Virgil Humphrey
31	Elkhart	Elkhart	Vance Roberts	Thomas Hamilton
32	Anderson	Anderson	Dale Adams	Max E. Maupin
35	Huntington	Huntington	Robert Crispen	Steven A. Maxwell
36	Kokomo	Kokomo	Barry Clouser	James E. Harris
39	Greenfield	Greenfield	Jack Hartlerode	Larry E. Gray
42	Bedford	Bedford	Scott Hurley	Clair Roub
45	Angola	Angola	Michael Andeson	Jimmie Milliman
57	E. H. Gary	Portage	James A. Hall	Arthur K. Tuesburg
61	Noblesville	Noblesville	Peter McKay	Charles R. Bowling
62	Prather	Indianapolis	Jason Greth	Brian Lewis
63	Bloomington	Bloomington	Rickey Spoonmore	Roger Spoonmore
64	Wright	Jasper	Phillip Adkins	Phillip Stroud
65	William G. Bray	Mooresville	Henry Bear	Sean Jones
67	H. E. Lackey	Lawrence	Andrew Huffman	Lloyd A. Atterson Sr.
68	Greene County	Linton	Gary Roberts	Joel Tennant

**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**

**Grand Commandery Receipts 2017**

No.	1/1/2017		12/31/2017		GC		GE		G.C. Dues		G.E. Dues		Eye Foundation	Knighting Fees	From Life Members Fund	Amount Due	Statement Sent	Amount Received
	Total	Members	Total	Members	Chargeable	Members	Chargeable	Members	@\$11.50	@\$9.00								
Raper	1	87	80	74	80	74	80	74	\$851.00	\$720.00	\$720.00	\$720.00	\$67.00	\$80.00	\$620.00	\$1,098.00	1/3/18	\$ 1,098.00
Baldwin	2	60	119	105	119	105	119	105	\$1,207.50	\$1,071.00	\$1,071.00	\$1,071.00	\$77.00	\$0.00	\$714.50	\$1,641.00	1/3/18	\$ 1,641.00
Fort Wayne	4	160	143	127	143	127	143	127	\$1,460.50	\$1,287.00	\$1,287.00	\$1,287.00	\$130.00	\$80.00	\$120.00	\$2,837.50	1/3/18	\$ 2,837.50
New Albany	5	133	130	120	130	120	130	120	\$1,380.00	\$1,170.00	\$1,170.00	\$1,170.00	\$97.00	\$80.00	\$265.50	\$2,461.50	1/3/18	\$ 2,461.50
Connersville	6	65	62	50	62	50	62	50	\$575.00	\$558.00	\$558.00	\$558.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,158.00	1/3/18	\$ 1,158.00
Richmond	8	42	38	35	38	35	38	35	\$402.50	\$342.00	\$342.00	\$342.00	\$33.00	\$20.00	\$45.00	\$752.50	1/3/18	\$ 752.50
Greencastle	11	44	40	37	40	37	40	37	\$425.50	\$360.00	\$360.00	\$360.00	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$110.50	\$676.00	1/3/18	\$ 676.00
LaPorte	12	49	85	77	85	77	85	77	\$885.50	\$765.00	\$765.00	\$765.00	\$74.00	\$20.00	\$103.00	\$1,641.50	1/3/18	\$ 1,641.50
South Bend	13	72	63	57	63	57	63	57	\$655.50	\$567.00	\$567.00	\$567.00	\$58.00	\$0.00	\$28.50	\$1,252.00	1/3/18	\$ 1,252.00
Columbus	14	159	143	125	143	125	143	125	\$1,437.50	\$1,287.00	\$1,287.00	\$1,287.00	\$77.00	\$40.00	\$471.00	\$2,370.50	1/3/18	\$ 2,370.50
LaValette	15	129	122	108	122	108	122	108	\$1,242.00	\$1,098.00	\$1,098.00	\$1,098.00	\$110.00	\$20.00	\$269.00	\$2,201.00	1/3/18	\$ 2,201.00
Terre Haute	16	97	100	94	100	94	100	94	\$1,081.00	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$91.00	\$120.00	\$180.00	\$2,012.00	1/3/18	\$ 2,012.00
Apollo	19	35	34	34	34	34	34	34	\$391.00	\$306.00	\$306.00	\$306.00	\$24.00	\$40.00	\$99.00	\$662.00	1/3/18	\$ 662.00
Vincennes	20	66	63	54	63	54	63	54	\$621.00	\$567.00	\$567.00	\$567.00	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$221.00	\$997.00	1/3/18	\$ 997.00
Grant County	21	39	40	29	40	29	40	29	\$333.50	\$360.00	\$360.00	\$360.00	\$34.00	\$20.00	\$177.00	\$570.50	1/3/18	\$ 570.50
Crawfordsville	25	53	47	40	47	40	47	40	\$460.00	\$423.00	\$423.00	\$423.00	\$41.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$924.00	1/3/18	\$ 924.00
Valparaiso	28	164	166	147	166	147	166	147	\$1,690.50	\$1,494.00	\$1,494.00	\$1,494.00	\$103.00	\$0.00	\$184.00	\$3,103.50	1/3/18	\$ 3,287.50
Frankfort	29	99	174	142	174	142	174	142	\$1,633.00	\$1,566.00	\$1,566.00	\$1,566.00	\$149.00	\$0.00	\$136.00	\$3,212.00	1/3/18	\$ 3,212.00
Elkhart	31	114	85	78	85	78	85	78	\$897.00	\$765.00	\$765.00	\$765.00	\$47.00	\$140.00	\$137.00	\$1,712.00	1/3/18	\$ 1,712.00
Anderson	32	133	130	97	130	97	130	97	\$1,115.50	\$1,170.00	\$1,170.00	\$1,170.00	\$92.00	\$20.00	\$422.00	\$1,975.50	1/3/18	\$ 1,975.50
Huntington	35	41	42	30	42	30	42	30	\$345.00	\$378.00	\$378.00	\$378.00	\$37.00	\$20.00	\$35.00	\$745.00	1/3/18	\$ 745.00
Kokomo	36	85	81	69	81	69	81	69	\$793.50	\$729.00	\$729.00	\$729.00	\$12.00	\$0.00	\$247.00	\$1,287.50	1/3/18	\$ 1,287.50
Greenfield	39	184	180	158	180	158	180	158	\$1,817.00	\$1,620.00	\$1,620.00	\$1,620.00	\$145.00	\$140.00	\$279.50	\$3,442.50	1/3/18	\$ 3,442.50
Bedford	42	81	81	78	81	78	81	78	\$897.00	\$729.00	\$729.00	\$729.00	\$49.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$1,775.00	1/3/18	\$ 1,775.00
Angola	45	95	81	71	81	71	81	71	\$816.50	\$729.00	\$729.00	\$729.00	\$21.00	\$80.00	\$92.25	\$1,554.25	1/3/18	\$ 1,554.25
E.H. Gary	57	85	80	70	80	70	80	70	\$805.00	\$720.00	\$720.00	\$720.00	\$9.00	\$60.00	\$129.00	\$1,465.00	1/3/18	\$ 1,465.00
Noblesville	61	50	49	44	49	44	49	44	\$506.00	\$441.00	\$441.00	\$441.00	\$28.00	\$60.00	\$127.50	\$907.50	1/3/18	\$ 907.50
Prather	62	192	210	199	210	199	210	199	\$2,288.50	\$1,890.00	\$1,890.00	\$1,890.00	\$202.00	\$0.00	\$102.00	\$4,278.50	1/3/18	\$ 4,278.50
Bloomington	63	140	127	109	127	109	127	109	\$1,253.50	\$1,143.00	\$1,143.00	\$1,143.00	\$58.00	\$20.00	\$83.00	\$2,391.50	1/3/18	\$ 2,391.50
Wright	64	32	34	34	34	34	34	34	\$391.00	\$306.00	\$306.00	\$306.00	\$21.00	\$40.00	\$44.00	\$714.00	1/3/18	\$ 714.00
William G. Bray	65	80	80	80	80	80	80	80	\$920.00	\$720.00	\$720.00	\$720.00	\$21.00	\$40.00	\$766.50	\$915.50	1/3/18	\$ 915.50
H.E. Lackey	67	43	42	41	42	41	42	41	\$471.50	\$378.00	\$378.00	\$378.00	\$32.00	\$0.00	\$163.00	\$718.00	1/3/18	\$ 718.00
Greene City	68	0	30	29	30	29	30	29	\$333.50	\$270.00	\$270.00	\$270.00	\$29.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$632.50	1/3/18	\$ 632.50
St. Anselm U.D.	500	20	17	17	17	17	17	17	\$195.50	\$153.00	\$153.00	\$153.00	\$15.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$363.50	1/3/18	\$ 363.50
Totals	36	2,928	2,998	2,659	2,998	2,659	2,998	2,659	\$30,578.50	\$26,982.00	\$26,982.00	\$26,982.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,260.00	\$6,371.75	\$54,448.75	1/3/18	\$ 54,632.25

**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**

		Grand Commandery Membership per Commandery 2017														
		1/1/2017	12/31/2017	Gain		Affiliated		Demits		Deaths		Remitted		E.F.		
No.	Commandery	Members	Total Members	(Loss)	Knights	Reinstated	Reinstated	Suspension	Deaths	Adjust	Members	50 Year	Life	Members	Members	
1	Raper	87	80	-7	4	1	2	5	8	1	0	0	0	0	6	13
2	Baldwin	60	119	59	12	63	0	10	2	4	0	0	0	0	14	42
4	Fort Wayne	160	143	-17	4	0	0	8	9	4	0	0	0	6	10	13
5	New Albany	133	130	-3	4	0	0	1	0	6	0	0	0	0	10	33
6	Connersville	65	62	-3	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	9	37
8	Richmond	42	38	-4	1	0	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	1	2	5
11	Greencastle	44	40	-4	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	39
12	LaPorte	49	85	36	1	42	0	4	0	3	0	0	0	4	4	11
13	South Bend	72	63	-9	0	0	1	4	0	5	-1	0	0	0	6	5
14	Columbus	159	143	-16	2	6	1	3	10	12	0	0	0	0	18	66
15	LaValette	129	122	-7	1	1	0	3	2	4	0	0	0	3	11	12
16	Terre Haute	97	100	3	6	1	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	3	9
19	Apollo	35	34	-1	2	3	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	10
20	Vincennes	66	63	-3	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	2	7	53
21	Grant County	39	40	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	6
25	Crawfordsville	53	47	-6	0	0	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	7	6
28	Valparaiso	164	166	2	17	0	2	1	10	6	0	0	0	11	8	63
29	Frankfort	99	174	75	12	84	2	12	3	5	-3	0	0	0	32	25
31	Elkhart	114	85	-29	7	2	0	8	20	10	0	5	0	5	2	38
32	Anderson	133	130	-3	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	5	28	38
35	Huntington	41	42	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	5
36	Kokomo	85	81	-4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	12	69
39	Greenfield	184	180	-4	7	5	0	9	1	6	0	2	0	2	20	35
42	Bedford	81	81	0	5	0	1	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	32
45	Angola	95	81	-14	4	1	0	2	10	7	0	2	0	2	8	60
57	E.H. Gary	85	80	-5	3	0	1	0	0	9	0	3	0	3	7	71
61	Noblesville	50	49	-1	3	0	2	3	3	0	0	2	0	2	3	21
62	Prather	192	210	18	27	2	5	9	7	0	0	7	0	7	4	8
63	Bloomington	140	127	-13	1	0	0	3	4	7	0	2	0	2	16	69
64	Wright	32	34	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
65	William G. Bray	80	80	0	2	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	78
67	H.E. Lackey	43	42	-1	4	1	0	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	10
68	Greene City	0	30	30	8	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
500	St. Anselm U.D.	20	17	-3	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
36	Totals	2,928	2,998	70	143	235	17	107	97	117	-4	80	259	998		

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**GRAND ENCAMPMENT COLLEGE OF HONORS**

During the 1991-1994 Triennium, a College of Honors was set up by the Grand Encampment with the following designations being conferred by the Most Eminent Grand Master:

The following Indiana Sir Knights have been so honored:

**GRAND CROSS TEMPLAR**

1	Willard M. Avery, PMEGM	1992
2	Edmund F. Ball, PGT, HPMEGM	1992
3	Duane L. Vaught, REGCG	2007

**KNIGHT GRAND CROSS OF THE TEMPLE**

1	Willard M. Avery, PMEGM	1992
2	Edmund F. Ball, PGT, HPMEGM	1992
3	Robert E. Price, PGC, HPDC	2000
4	James D. De Mond, PGC, PDC	2002
5	Duane L. Vaught, PGC	2005
6	T. Jeffery Conquest, PGC	2006
7	Rodney A. Mann, PGC	2016

**KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE TEMPLE**

1	James S. De Mond, PGC, PDC	1992
2	K. Edwin Applegate, PGC, PDC	1992
3	Robert E. Price, PGC, GRE, KGC, HPDC	1992
4	R. Frank Williams, PGC, HPDC, GPE	1992
5	Herbert A. Newman, PGC, GT	1992
6	John Willard McNaughton, Deputy for IN, AASR	1992
7	Max L. Carpenter, PGM, GS	1992
8	Kenneth E. Gibson, PGC	1993
9	Paul W. Friend, PGC	1992
10	John V. Stevens, PGC	1993
11	Steven J. Barton, PGC, PDC	1994
12	Marion K. Crum, PMIGM	1993
13	Donald E. Friend, PMEGHP	1993
14	David R. Poling, Jr., PGC	1994
15	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr., PGC	1994
16	Bill C. Anthis, Deputy for IN, AASR	1995
17	Michael D. Brumback, PGM	1995

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18	Robert B. Bailey, PIP	1995
19	Thomas D. Barton, PMIGM	1994
20	William L. Leffler, PGC	1995
21	William D. Blasingame, PGM	1996
22	Ronald D. Simpson, PGC	1996
23	Ray G. Glick, GPE, YRSC	1996
24	Walter P. Worland, PGC	1996
25	Vonn G. Hoffman, PMIGM	1996
26	Douglas O. Fegenbush, PGM, PMIGM	1996
27	Ronald L. Tungett, PGC	1997
28	Ronald W. Adkins, PMIGM	1997
29	Ronald S. Ringenberg, PGHP	1997
30	Duane Stucker, PGC	1997
31	Peter T. Zivanovich, PGC	1997
32	James W. Roberts, PGC	1998
33	Larry E. Gray, PMEGHP	1998
34	Willard R. Clutter, Jr., PGC	1998
35	Robert E. Durham, Jr., PMIGM	1999
36	James W. Prairie, PGC	1999
37	Ishmael D. Ison, PGM	1999
38	Robert J. Frazer, PGC, GT	2000
39	Harrison E. Lackey, KTCH, HPGC	2000
40	Dennis R. York, PGHP	2000
41	John C. Gray, PMIGM	2001
42	William Gould Frazier, MEP Grand Preceptor	2001
43	William Wallace Roberts, KTCH, GPE	2001
44	Henry LaHurreau, PGC	2001
45	Herbert G. Roach, PGC	2002
46	Irvin L. Bitting, PGC	2002
47	Duane L. Vaught, PGC, KGC, GCT	2002
48	Richard W. Wierzba, PGM	2002
49	Roger Van Gorden, DGM, GL of IN	2002
50	Robert G. Elrod, Deputy of IN, AASR	2002
51	Omar E. Hager, PGC	2003
52	T. Jeffery Conquest, PGC, KGC	2003
53	Howard Farrand, Grand Patron, OES	2003
54	Edgar McGonigal, Potentate of Murat Shrine	2003
55	James L. Chesney, PGM	2003
56	Robert S. Flint, GPE, Grand Governor	2004

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57	George A. Ingles, PGC	2004
58	Richard John Elman, PGM	2005
59	John A. Bleich	2005
60	Ronald L. Ellis, PGC	2005
61	William K. Bissey	2005
62	Harry W. McLaren	2006
63	Lawrence V. Kaminsky, PGC, GR	2006
64	Charles V. Horton, PMIGM	2006
65	A. Dwayne Evensen, PGHP	2006
66	George Earl Proctor, Potentate of Murat Shrine	2006
67	Dennis T. Herrell, PGM	2006
68	David Ralph Ulrich	2006
69	George D. Kivett, KTCH, HPGC	2006
70	James M. Barkdull, PGM	2007
71	Rodney A. Mann, PGC	2007
72	Bobby J. Roberts	2007
73	Andrew R. Jackson, PGC	2008
74	Austin C. Gray, PMIGM	2008
75	J. William Meyers	2008
76	Harold D. Black	2008
77	David M. Bertch, PGC	2009
78	Jeffery P. Zaring, PGM	2009
79	John T. Fleming	2009
80	John D. Myers	2009
81	Larry W. Brown	2010
82	Charles F. Marlow, GM	2010
83	Christopher Hodapp	2010
84	Edward L. Sebring	2010
85	James L. Dove, GC	2011
86	Kenneth E. Willis, Jr., GM	2011
87	Carson C. Smith	2011
88	Virgil G. Humphrey	2011
89	F. Martin Donahue	2011
90	Paul A. Cole, GC	2012
91	Gregory C. Walbridge, GM	2012
92	Wayne G. Williams, KTCH	2012
93	John A. Bridgegroom	2012
94	Kurt A. Begue, KCT	2013
95	William M. Imel, PMIGM	2013

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96	Wesley Kris Phillips, PGHP	2013
97	Mark A. Genung, MWGM	2014
98	Jackie F. Wallace, GC	2014
99	Charles D. Wood, Jr. PMIGM	2014
100	Daniel J. Barenie, MWGM	2015
101	Michael D. Ritter, GC	2015
102	James L. Bolinger, GC	2016
103	Michael C. Anderson	2016
104	William A. Reiners, MWGM	2016
105	Ronald K. Smith, PGHP, PGM	2016
106	Carey B. Carter, MWGM	2016
107	Donald D. Olvey, GC	2016
108	Gary A. Wyne, PMIGM	2017
109	Lawrence J. Williams, GC	2017
110	Terry Kehrer, DGC	2017
111	James Iles, II	2017

**COMPANIONS OF THE TEMPLE**

This award is granted by the Grand Encampment to ladies who have supported their husbands over many years in their work for Templary.

- 1997 - Margaret Avery (Mrs. Willard M. Avery)\*  
Virginia Ball (Mrs. Edmund F. Ball)\*  
Nancy Price (Mrs. Robert E. Price)  
Patricia De Mond (Mrs. James S. De Mond)  
Donna Clutter (Mrs. Willard R. Clutter, Jr.)  
Betty Applegate (Mrs. K. Edwin Applegate)\*  
Katie Newman (Mrs. Herbert A. Newman)\*
- 1998 - Gracie Williams (Mrs. R. Frank Williams)\*
- 2004 - Sherry Barton (Mrs. Steven J. Barton)  
Doris Bitting (Mrs. Irvin L. Bitting)\*  
Rebecca Stevens (Mrs. John Stevens)\*
- 2006- Karen Ingles (Mrs. George A. Ingles, Jr.)  
Nancy Frazer (Mrs. Robert J. Frazer)  
Janet Kaminsky (Mrs. Lawrence V. Kaminsky)

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- 2007- Malia Mann (Mrs. Rodney A. Mann)  
Lee Zivanovich (Mrs. Peter Zivanovich)\*  
Mary Stucker (Mrs. Duane Stucker)
- 2008- Mary Jackson (Mrs. Andrew R. Jackson)  
Martha Kivett (Mrs. George Kivett)\*
- 2010- Suanna Brown (Mrs. Larry W. Brown)
- 2012- Margaret Cole (Mrs. Paul A Cole)
- 2013- Willa Fay (Mrs. Bobby J. Roberts)\*
- 2014- Shirley Wallace (Mrs. Jackie F. Wallace)
- 2016- Deborah Bolinger (Mrs. James Bolinger)  
Monica Peterson (Mrs. Tony Peterson)
- 2017- Connie Whisner (Mrs. Phillip Whisner)  
Nina Olvey (Mrs. Donald Olvey)
- 2018- Patty Smith (Mrs. Carson Smith)

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**INDIANA RECIPIENTS  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR AWARD**

1965.....	Branson C. Barton*
1966.....	Lloyd W. Young*
1967.....	Leslie J. Barrow*
1968.....	Park H. Snyder*
1969.....	Owen L. Shanteau*
1970.....	James G. Wright**
1971.....	Brown Cooper*
1972.....	Roy Parker*
1973.....	Archie W. Franklin*
1974.....	Frank J. Krug*
1975.....	John W. Pherson*
1976.....	Emil L. Steffey*
1977.....	Arno G. Siefker*
1978.....	Donald F. Butler*
1979.....	Richard M. Stephenson*
1980.....	Walter E. Koehler*
1981.....	Harold W. Sauerhebr*
1982.....	James C. Reed*
1983.....	D. Devon Hossler*
1984.....	Bernard L. Smith*
1985.....	John C. Fulton*
1986.....	Ernest R. Roller*
1987.....	Bernard Manuel Bradley*
1988.....	Robert H. Barksdale, Sr*
1989.....	Dean N. Goranson*
1990.....	Noal Orble Stephens*
1991.....	Robert Leslie Thompson*
1992.....	Claude Herbert Riedel*
1993.....	George Dewey Kivett, Jr
1994.....	Tom Calvin Baird*
1995.....	Paul Russell Ferrell*
1996.....	Oscar Glenn Stepp*
1997.....	Lloyd L. Marsh*
1998.....	Harrison Eugene Lackey*
1999.....	William W. Roberts*
2000.....	Norbert O. Parrot*
2001.....	Michael Bruce Montgomery
2002.....	Larry E. Gray
2003.....	Otis H. Brown*
2004.....	Robert C. Childers*
2005.....	Russell O. Anderson

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2006.....	Frank E. McKinnon*
2007.....	Wayne A. Williams*
2008.....	Thomas W. Harper
2009.....	E. Stanton Davis*
2010.....	Norman O. Hittson*
2010.....	Virgil G. Humphery
2011.....	John E. Hylemon
2011.....	James L. Kerns
2012.....	Wayne A. Sheets
2012.....	Robert S. Flint
2013.....	Gary A. Nicholson
2013.....	Byron W. Schull
2014 .....	Phillip D. Whisner
2014.....	Matthew E. Lowe
2015.....	Brian C. Leis
2015.....	Carson C. Smith
2016.....	Michael C. Anderson
2016.....	Edward L. Sebring
2017.....	Tony S. Peterson
2017.....	Mark L. Baker
2018.....	Marvin L. Ress
2018.....	Jerome A. Kipper

(\*Deceased) (\*\*Demitted)

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**HISTORICAL LIST OF OTHER GRAND COMMANDERY AWARDS**

**EMINENT COMMANDER OF THE YEAR**

1994 -	Donald E. Douglas	Baldwin Commandery #2
1995 -	William E. Evensen, Sr.	Elbert E. Gary Commandery #57
1996 -	David Ulrich	Fort Wayne Commandery #4
1997 -	Robert Faulkner	Fort Wayne Commandery #4

**COMMANDERY OF THE YEAR**

1998 -	William G. Bray Commandery #65	Mooresville
1999 -	Lawrence Commandery #67	Lawrence
2000 -	Greenfield #39	Greenfield
2001 -	Raper Commandery #1	Indianapolis
2002 -	Angola Commandery # 45	Angola
2003 -	Raper Commandery #1	Indianapolis
2004 -	Ft. Wayne Commandery No. 4	Ft. Wayne
2005 -	Trinity Commandery No. 62	Indianapolis
2006 -	Baldwin Commandery No. 2	Shelbyville
2007 -	Trinity Commandery No. 62	Indianapolis
2008 -	Bedford Commandery No. 42	Bedford
2009 -	Angola Commander No. 45	Angola
2010 -	Ft. Wayne Commandery No. 4	Ft. Wayne
2011 -	Raper Commandery No. 1	Indianapolis
2012 -	Valparaiso Commandery No. 28	Valparaiso
2013 -	Raper Commandery No. 1	Indianapolis
2014 -	Raper Commandery No. 1	Indianapolis
2015 -	Frankfort Commandery No. 28	Frankfort
2016 -	Elkhart Commandery No. 31	Elkhart
2017 -	Elkhart Commandery No. 31	Elkhart

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**STAR RECORDER OF THE YEAR**

1994 -	Lloyd L. Marsh	Connersville #6
1995 -	Jacob M. Collins	Lebanon #43
1996 -	Roger W. Shafer	Fort Wayne #4
1997 -	Jerry M <sup>c</sup> Vicker	Wabash #37
1998 -	Frederick W. Eicke	Hammond #41
1999 -	Phillip W. Crussemeyer	Elkhart #31
2000 -	Emil Steffey	Baldwin #2
2001 -	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Hammond #41
2002 -	Wayne G. Williams	Raper #1
2003 -	Wilford Lutz	Columbus #14
2004 -	G. Leon Weber	Crawfordsville #25
2005 -	Earl W. Adam, Jr.	New Albany #5
2006 -	R. Daniel Gaby	South Bend #13
2007 -	John E. Hylemon	H.W. Matthewson No. 66
2007 -	Henry E. LaHurreau	Fort Wayne No. 4
2008 -	Burnell R. Davis	Vincennes No. 20
2009 -	Mark A. Kester	Terre Haute No. 16
2010 -	Jeffery C. Reich	E. H. Gary No. 57
2011 -	W. Kris Philips	Greencastle No. 11
2012 -	Dennis H. Rigsby	Richmond No. 8
2013 -	Thomas W. Harper	Prather No. 62
2014 -	Lloyd R. Forney	LaPorte No. 12
2015 -	Nathan Brindle	Raper No. 1
2016 -	Charles Bowling	Noblesville No. 61
2017 -	Virgil Humphrey	Frankfort No. 29

**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**

**MEMBERSHIP HISTORICAL INFORMATION TABLE**

Year	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981
<b>Commanderies</b>	58	58	57	56	55	55	55	55	54	54	54	54
<b>Knighthood</b>	405	402	403	417	366	418	411	347	347	318	328	496
<b>Affiliated</b>	20	36	69	135	82	27	27	21	15	77	31	45
<b>Reinstated</b>	22	17	24	15	24	16	23	29	18	14	23	17
<b>Died</b>	299	305	320	302	284	310	298	293	303	307	287	298
<b>Demitted</b>	180	172	209	271	205	141	136	134	111	206	139	141
<b>Suspended</b>	169	182	132	102	87	151	85	98	85	124	133	164
<b>Adjustments</b>	-2	-11	6	9	22	22	9	-31	-40	-3	-5	-9
<b>No. of Members</b>	11874	11666	11498	11408	11318	11184	11141	10962	10839	10617	10431	10358
<b>Gain (Loss)</b>	-28	-208	-168	-90	-90	-134	-43	-179	-123	-222	-188	-46
<b>Remitted</b>	397	394	355	498	491	479	501	500	499	461	455	468

Year	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
<b>Commanderies</b>	54	54	53	53	53	54	53	53	53	54	56	57
<b>Knighthood</b>	253	301	314	216	224	309	233	173	127	189	250	349
<b>Affiliated</b>	27	17	173	25	27	34	146	16	22	30	94	44
<b>Reinstated</b>	25	23	24	22	16	22	28	24	26	37	26	20
<b>Died</b>	257	273	297	261	259	270	269	235	257	262	230	232
<b>Demitted</b>	128	103	277	147	146	171	257	121	141	130	134	106
<b>Suspended</b>	121	109	123	125	148	157	166	219	131	169	117	103
<b>Adjustments</b>	-9	0	-11	0	-10	-90	0	1	-6	1	-56	-13
<b>No. of Members</b>	10173	10030	9831	9555	9265	8948	8659	8300	7951	7636	7463	7422
<b>Gain (Loss)</b>	-212	-143	-199	-276	-290	-317	-289	-359	-349	-315	-173	-41
<b>Remitted</b>	475	471	437	466	414	396	375	497	379	411	370	405

Year	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Commanderies</b>	56	54	55	54	53	53	51	46	46	46	46	45
<b>Knighthood</b>	191	266	100	141	154	109	164	174	133	158	153	167
<b>Affiliated</b>	87	486	62	110	53	34	248	16	21	41	22	18
<b>Reinstated</b>	22	13	14	22	27	17	16	24	22	15	12	24
<b>Died</b>	225	231	218	213	195	206	190	195	186	172	197	162
<b>Demitted</b>	203	531	150	213	153	113	317	105	117	124	138	92
<b>Suspended</b>	101	113	105	126	100	89	68	81	112	100	89	151
<b>Adjustments</b>	5	4	-7	1	-5	-8	-21	0	0	3	6	21
<b>No. of Members</b>	7198	7084	6794	6514	6285	6029	5861	5694	5455	5275	5047	4746
<b>Gain (Loss)</b>	-224	-114	-290	-280	-209	-249	-148	-167	-239	-182	-231	-175
<b>Remitted</b>	364	389	415	402	390	352	295	322	325	321	305	275

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**MEMBERSHIP HISTORICAL INFORMATION TABLE  
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<b>Year</b>	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
<b>Commanderies</b>	44	42	42	41	41	40	38	38	36	36	36	33
<b>Knighted</b>	202	202	196	180	197	155	157	154	119	100	124	143
<b>Affiliated</b>	42	52	204	67	37	51	111	36	72	33	142	235
<b>Reinstated</b>	16	25	16	25	14	14	13	28	17	16	9	17
<b>Died</b>	139	160	138	107	136	144	133	93	100	124	120	117
<b>Demitted</b>	108	193	308	155	176	148	181	98	150	87	239	107
<b>Suspended</b>	161	130	118	120	185	115	146	174	99	114	117	97
<b>Adjustments</b>	0	37	0	-21	13	2	0	4	3	2	2	-4
<b>No. of Members</b>	4724	4550	4402	4271	4044	3889	3710	3567	3429	3255	3124	2998
<b>Gain (Loss)</b>	-148	-174	-148	-131	-236	-155	-179	-143	-138	-178	-481	-126
<b>Remitted</b>	287	305	597	412	101	372	348	363	351	355	366	339

(Tables reflecting membership from 1854 - 1970 have been published in the proceedings of 1991 - 1993)

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**HISTORICAL LIST OF GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Grand Commander</b>	<b>Deputy Grand Commander</b>	<b>Grand Generalissimo</b>	<b>Grand Captain General</b>	<b>Grand Treasurer</b>
1984	Ronald D. Simpson	Herbert G. Roach	Robert E. DuBois	William L. Leffler	Harold L. Hoolihan
1985	Herbert G. Roach	Robert E. DuBois	William L. Leffler	Paul W. Friend	Harold L. Hoolihan
1986	Robert E. DuBois	William L. Leffler	Paul W. Friend	John V. Stevens	Harold L. Hoolihan
1987	William L. Leffler	Paul W. Friend	John V. Stevens	Steven J. Barton	Harold L. Hoolihan
1988	Paul W. Friend	John V. Stevens	Steven J. Barton	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.	Harold L. Hoolihan
1989	John V. Stevens	Steven J. Barton	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.	Gerald A. Sullivan, Jr.	Harold L. Hoolihan
1990	Steven J. Barton	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.	Gerald A. Sullivan, Jr.	Peter T. Zivanovich	Herbert A. Newman
1991	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.	Gerald A. Sullivan, Jr.	Peter T. Zivanovich	Duane Stucker	Herbert A. Newman
1992	Gerald A. Sullivan, Jr.	Peter T. Zivanovich	Duane Stucker	James W. Roberts	Herbert A. Newman
1993	Peter T. Zivanovich	Duane Stucker	James W. Roberts	Willard R. Clutter, Jr.	Herbert A. Newman
1994	Duane Stucker	James W. Roberts	Willard R. Clutter, Jr.	James W. Prairie	Herbert A. Newman
1995	James W. Roberts	Willard R. Clutter, Jr.	James W. Prairie	Robert J. Frazer	Herbert A. Newman
1996	Willard R. Clutter, Jr.	James W. Prairie	Robert J. Frazer	Henry E. LaHurreau	Herbert A. Newman
1997	James W. Prairie	Robert J. Frazer	Henry E. LaHurreau	Irvin L. Bitting	Herbert A. Newman
1998	Robert J. Frazer	Henry E. LaHurreau	Irvin L. Bitting	Duane L. Vaught	Herbert A. Newman
1999	Henry E. LaHurreau	Irvin L. Bitting	Duane L. Vaught	William A. Pruitt	Herbert A. Newman
2000	Irvin L. Bitting	Duane L. Vaught	William A. Pruitt	T. Jeffery Conquest	Herbert A. Newman
2001	Duane L. Vaught	William A. Pruitt	T. Jeffery Conquest	George A. Ingles	Herbert A. Newman
2002	T. Jeffery Conquest	George A. Ingles	Ronald L. Ellis	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Herbert A. Newman
2003	George A. Ingles	Ronald L. Ellis	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Rodney A. Mann	Herbert A. Newman
2004	Ronald L. Ellis	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Rodney A. Mann	Andrew R. Jackson	Herbert A. Newman
2005	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Rodney A. Mann	Andrew R. Jackson	David M. Bertch	Herbert A. Newman
2006	Rodney A. Mann	Andrew R. Jackson	David M. Bertch	Larry W. Brown	Robert J. Frazer
2007	Andrew R. Jackson	David M. Bertch	Larry W. Brown	James L. Dove	Robert J. Frazer
2008	David M. Bertch	Larry W. Brown	James L. Dove	Paul A. Cole	Robert J. Frazer
2009	Larry W. Brown	James L. Dove	Paul A. Cole	Bobby J. Roberts	Robert J. Frazer
2010	James L. Dove	Paul A. Cole	Bobby J. Roberts	Jack F. Wallace	Robert J. Frazer
2011	Paul A. Cole	Bobby J. Roberts	Jack F. Wallace	Michael D. Ritter	Robert J. Frazer
2012	Bobby J. Roberts	Jack F. Wallace	Michael D. Ritter	James L. Bolinger	Robert J. Frazer
2013	Jackie F. Wallace	Michael D. Ritter	James L. Bolinger	Lawrence J. Williams	Robert J. Frazer
2014	Michael D. Ritter	James L. Bolinger	Donald D. Olvey	Lawrence J. Williams	Robert J. Frazer
2015	James L. Bolinger	Donald D. Olvey	Lawrence J. Williams	Terry L. Kehrer	Robert J. Frazer
2016	Donald D. Olvey	Lawrence J. Williams	Terry L. Kehrer	Michael F. Robbins	Robert J. Frazer
2017	Lawrence J. Williams	Terry L. Kehrer	Michael F. Robbins	Donnie A. Robinette	Robert J. Frazer

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**HISTORICAL LISTING OF GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS  
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<b>Year</b>	<b>Grand Recorder</b>	<b>Grand Prelate</b>	<b>Grand Senior Warden</b>	<b>Grand Junior Warden</b>	<b>Grand Standard Bearer</b>
1984	Richard D. Unger	Thomas C. Paterson	Paul W. Friend	John V. Stevens	Dan R. Biddle
1985	Richard D. Unger	R. Frank Williams	John V. Stevens	James C. Bunnell	Noel Stephens
1986	Robert E. Price	Bernard M. Bradley	James C. Bunnell	Steven J. Barton	Jerry Warman
1987	Robert E. Price	Dr. Marvin E. Utler	Steven J. Barton	Jerry Warman	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.
1988	Robert E. Price	Dean N. Goranson	Jerry W. Warman	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.	Gerald A. Sullivan, Jr.
1989	Robert E. Price	Harold F. Noble	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.	Gerald A. Sullivan, Jr.	James E. Harris
1990	Robert E. Price	Dennis R. York	Duane Stucker	James W. Roberts	William Mohler
1991	Robert E. Price	J. William Meyers	James W. Roberts	Willard R. Clutter, Jr.	Wayne A. Sheets
1992	Robert E. Price	Robert S. Flint	Willard R. Clutter, Jr.	James W. Prairie	Robert J. Frazer
1993	Robert E. Price	James W. Roberts	James W. Prairie	Robert J. Frazer	Henry E. LaHurreau
1994	Robert E. Price	Rowland C. Gorman	Robert J. Frazer	Henry E. LaHurreau	Irvin L. Bitting
1995	Robert E. Price	Gary K. Fentress	Henry E. LaHurreau	Irvin L. Bitting	Duane L. Vaught
1996	Robert E. Price	J. Robert Fiers	Irvin L. Bitting	Duane L. Vaught	Gregory E. Snipes
1997	Robert E. Price	Robert C. Childress	Duane L. Vaught	Gregory E. Snipes	Jack E. Todd
1998	Robert E. Price	Robert L. Thompson	William A. Pruitt	T. Jeffery Conquest	Floyd K. Dunn, II
1999	John V. Stevens	Vonn G. Hoffman	T. Jeffery Conquest	George A. Ingles, Jr.	Floyd K. Dunn, II
2000	John V. Stevens	Samuel M. Robinson	George A. Ingles, Jr.	Floyd K. Dunn, II	Ronald L. Ellis
2001	John V. Stevens	Gregory E. Snipes	Floyd K. Dunn, II	Ronald L. Ellis	Lawrence V. Kaminsky
2002	John V. Stevens	James Dimitri	Rodney A. Mann	Andrew R. Jackson	David R. Ulrich
2003	John V. Stevens	Wayne A. Sheets	Andrew R. Jackson	David M. Bertch	John A. Bleich
2004	John V. Stevens	James N. Butler	David M. Bertch	Larry W. Brown	James L. Dove
2005	John V. Stevens	David Borchert	Larry W. Brown	James L. Dove	Patrick S. Diller
2006	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Carroll Joe Friend	James L. Dove	Paul A. Cole	Rex Sohn
2007	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Edward L. Sebring	Paul A. Cole	J, Rex Sohn	None
2008	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Byron W. Schull	J, Rex Sohn	Scott G. Inman	Jack F. Wallace
2009	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Jerry O. Deeter	Jack F. Wallace	Michael D. Ritter	James L. Bolinger
2010	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Charles E. Johnson	Michael D. Ritter	James L. Bolinger	Donald D. Olvey
2011	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Randal P. Ellington	James L. Bolinger	Donald D. Olvey	Lawrence J. Williams
2012	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Harold D. Black	Donald D. Olvey	Lawrence J. Williams	Terry L. Kehrer
2013	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Tony S. Peterson	Lawrence J. Williams	Terry L. Kehrer	Michael F. Robbins
2014	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Adam E. Jackson	Terry L. Kehrer	Michael F. Robbins	Donnie A. Robinette
2015	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Steven A. Arlington	Michael F. Robbins	Donnie A. Robinette	Edward E. Fodrea
2016	George A. Ingles, Jr.	Charles P. King	Donnie A. Robinette	Edward E. Fodrea	Matthew E. Lowe
2017	George A. Ingles, Jr.	David Cincoski	Edward E. Fodrea	Philip D. Whisner	Thomas D. Johnson

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**HISTORICAL LIST OF GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS  
(continued)**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Grand Sword Bearer</b>	<b>Grand Warder</b>	<b>Grand Sentinel</b>	<b>Grand Organist</b>	<b>Grand Inspector General</b>
1984	John C. Fulton	Emmett G. Beisel	Monroe Higginbotham	J. Richard McElheny	
1985	Monon Nortman	David Joe Day	Harley W. Summit	Jerry Burns	
1986	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.	Gerald A. Sullivan, Jr.	Robert Mehringer	J. Richard McElheny	
1987	Gerald A. Sullivan, Jr.	Robert Mehringer	Larry Ozust	DeWard E. Theobald	
1988	Robert Mehringer	Peter T. Zivanovich	Duane Stucker	Curtis C. Herl	
1989	Thomas C. Patterson	Robert S. Flint	Charles W. Maples	Jerry Burns	
1990	James E. Browing	C. Michael Alter	Thomas D. Barton	DeWard E. Theobald	
1991	Michael B. Montgomery	James W. Prairie	Robert J. Frazer	John W. Simons II	
1992	Henry E. LaHurreau	Irvin L. Bitting	Duane L. Vaught	John W. Simons II	
1993	Irvin L. Bitting	Duane L. Vaught	Neil V. Welch	John W. Simons II	
1994	Duane L. Vaught	Gregory E. Snipes	Jack E. Todd	Robert L. Claypool	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.
1995	Jack E. Todd	Gregory E. Snipes	Tom C. Baird	Robert L. Claypool	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.
1996	Jack E. Todd	William A. Pruitt	Gary B. Fry	Robert L. Claypool	Ronald D. Simpson
1997	William A. Pruitt	Gary B. Fry	T. Jeffery Conquest	Robert L. Claypool	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.
1998	George A. Ingles, Jr.	Ronald L. Ellis	Virgil G. Humphrey	John W. Logan	Robert J. Frazer
1999	Ronald L. Ellis	Virgil G. Humphrey	Harry W. McLaren	John W. Logan	Robert J. Frazer
2000	Harry W. McLaren	Lawrence V. Kaminsky	Andrew R. Jackson	John W. Logan	Robert J. Frazer
2001	Andrew R. Jackson	David R. Ulrich	John A. Bleich	John W. Logan	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.
2002	John A. Bleich	David M. Bertch	Michael B. Montgomery	John W. Logan	Irvin L. Bitting
2003	Rex Sohn	Larry W. Brown	James L. Dove	Carleton Hinshaw	Irvin L. Bitting
2004	Byron W. Schull	E. Stanton Davis	Patrick S. Diller	Carleton Hinshaw	Irvin L. Bitting
2005	Rex Sohn	Paul A. Cole	Carroll Joe Friend	Carleton Hinshaw	Irvin L. Bitting
2006	E. Stanton Davis	Michael C. Stoner	Michael R. Payne	Carleton Hinshaw	George A. Ingles, Jr.
2007	Phillip W. Crussemeyer	Wayne A. Williams	Gary A. Sherritze	John W. Logan	Irvin L. Bitting
2008	David Jenkins	Michael D. Ritter	Brian Harms	John W. Logan	Ronald L. Ellis
2009	Gary Nicholson	Donald D. Olvey	Joseph Hedges	John W, Logan	Irvin L. Bitting
2010	Joseph K. Hedges	Lawrence J. Williams	Terry L. Kehrer	Marvin L. Rees	Irvin L. Bitting
2011	Terry L. Kehrer	Kurt A. Begue	David C. Willoughby	Marvin L. Rees	Irvin L. Bitting
2012	Kurt A. Begue	David C. Willoughby	Michael F. Robbins	Marvin L. Rees	Ronald L. Ellis
2013	Michael F. Robbins	Edward Fodrea	Donnie A. Robinette	Marvin L. Rees	Ronald L. Ellis
2014	Glenn Schmidt	John W. Patterson	Bazil K. Isaac	Marvin L. Rees	Ronald L. Ellis
2015	James L. Davis	Matthew E. Lowe	Eric S. Pittman	Marvin Rees	Irvin L. Bitting
2016	James L. Davis	Phillip D. Whisner	Thomas D. Johnson	Marvin Rees	Irvin L. Bitting
2017	Randal P. Ellington	Kevin M. Spencer	Randy W. Spaulding	Marvin Rees	James L. Dove

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**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR THE  
GRAND COMMANDERY OF INDIANA**

<b>Grand Commandery</b>	<b>Representatives</b>	<b>City</b>
Alabama	Douglas O. Fegenbush	Indianapolis
Arizona	James Catania	Mooresville
Arkansas	Randal Ellington	Shelbyville
California	Charles D. Wood, Jr	Martinsville
Colorado	Edward E. Fodrea	Ft. Wayne
Connecticut	Randy Spaulding	Markelville
Delaware	Patrick Briney	Indianapolis
District of Columbia	Michael Stoner	Bloomfield
Florida	Robert J. Frazer	Richmond
Georgia	George D. Kivett	Indianapolis
Idaho	Mark A. Baker	Mooresville
Illinois	Duane L. Vaught	Bloomington
Iowa	James L. Dove	LaPorte
Italy	Henry T. Bear	Mooresville
Kansas	Rodney A. Mann	Shelbyville
Kentucky	Andrew R. Jackson	Unionville
Louisiana	Lawrence J. Williams	Chesterton
Maine	Gary A. Nicholson	Shelbyville
Maryland	Phillip D. Whisner	Indianapolis
Mass. & R. I.	Tony S. Peterson	Fishers
Michigan	James L. Bolinger	Vandalia, MI
Minnesota	Robert S. Flint	Kokomo
Mississippi	Michael Robbins	Bedford
Missouri	Clarence D. Harter	Cedar Lake
Montana	David M. Bertch	Liberty
Nebraska	Donnie A. Robinette	Franklin
Nevada	Donald D. Olvey	Plainfield
New Hampshire	Gary A. Sherritze	Amboy
New Jersey	Carson C. Smith	Indianapolis
New Mexico	Bobby Roberts	Fairmount
New York	Paul W. Friend	Angola
North Carolina	Terry L. Kehrer	Georgetown
North Dakota	James L. Davis	Hamilton
Ohio	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr	Angola
Oklahoma	Irvin L. Bitting	Demotte
Oregon	Thomas D. Johnson	Valparaiso
Pennsylvania	George A. Ingles, Jr	Muncie
Philippines	Kevin Spencer	Petersburg
Portugal	Matthew Lowe	Richmond
South Carolina	James R. Adamson	New Salisbury
South Dakota	Wayne A. Sheets	Brownsburg

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**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR THE  
GRAND COMMANDERY OF INDIANA  
(Continued)**

<b>Grand Commandery</b>	<b>Representatives</b>	<b>City</b>
Tennessee	Larry W. Brown	Selma
Texas	Paul A. Cole	Shelbyville
Utah	Harold D. Black	Ft. Wayne
Vermont	Duane Stucker	Shelbyville
Virginia	Michael D. Ritter	Muncie
Washington	Ronald L. Ellis	Columbus
West Virginia	Jack Wallace	Fountantown
Wisconsin	Steven J. Barton	Greenfield
Wyoming	David R. Ulrich	Columbia City

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR  
OTHER GRAND COMMANDERIES**

<b>Grand Commandery</b>	<b>Representatives</b>	<b>City</b>
Alabama	William Jerald Burfitt, Jr	Madison
Arizona	Joseph F. Edwards	Benson
Arkansas	Larry N. Keeth	Prattville
California	Kermit Rosenthal	Norwalk
Colorado	David Reymolds	Colorida Springs
Connecticut	Arnold S. Grot	Glastonbury
Delaware	Gilbert E. Greenfield	Wilmington
Florida	Ronald L. Parks	Pensacola
Georgia	Lloyd C. Odem	Fort Valley
Idaho	Wade Sheeler	Salmon
Illinois	John T. Riedas, Sr	Oak Forest
Iowa	W. Andrew Emmert	Newton
Kansas	Kelly D. Kraemer	Topeka
Kentucky	Archie R. Smallwood, PGC	Louisville
Louisiana	Richard Leo James	West Monroe
Maine		
Maryland	Richard A. Ortt, Sr	Baltimore
Mass. & R. I.	William Ernest Eltzroth	Bellingham
Michigan	Vernon T. Barnhart, KCT, PGC	Grand Ledge
Minnesota	John B. Studell	Minneapolis
Mississippi	Robert Lane Dossett	Hattiesburg
Missouri	James E. Snavely	Farmington
Montana	C. David Burgess	Bozeman
Nebraska	Edward F. Morrow	Tekamah
Nevada	Michael Reinhardt	Las Vegas
New Hampshire	Phillip H. White	Grantham

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**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR  
OTHER GRAND COMMANDERIES (continued)**

<b>Grand Commandery</b>	<b>Representatives</b>	<b>City</b>
New Jersey	John R. Keating	Cedar Run
New Mexico	Walter M. Zierman, KCT, PGC	Santa Fe
New York	Jeffrey Williamson	Akron
North Carolina	Michael L. Gould	Fayetteville
North Dakota	Troy D. Eck	Clarksville
Ohio	Alfred T. Johnson	Cable
Oklahoma	Trasen S. Akers	Oklahoma City
Oregon	Ryan Winters	St. Helens
Pennsylvania	Wilmer E. Hall	Watson town
South Carolina	Richard W. Sealy	Rock Hill
South Dakota	John Laughlin, PGC	Rapid City
Tennessee	Matthew G. Johnson	Johnson City
Texas	Lawrence E. Tucker	Bellaire
Utah	Harry B. Cohn	Ogden
Vermont	Eugene C. Corliss	Waterbury Center
Virginia	Mark W. Underwood	Centreville
Washington	Lynn Bailey	Coupsville
Washington, DC	Elijah C. Mills	Washington, DC
West Virginia	Roger D. Linger, KCT, PGC	Vienna
Wisconsin	Richard Bersenberg	Sauk City
Wyoming	Philip G. Buchholz	Saratoga
Philippines	Dr. Romeo Greg Macasaet, MD	Sampaloc, Manila
Portugal	Jose Joao Cardosa	
Romania	P.C.E. Ionel Onofras	
Mexico	S.K.T. Marco Enrique Rosales Gt	
Italy	Natta Davide	

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**GRAND COMMANDERS of the GRAND COMMANDERY  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR of INDIANA**

**From organization in 1854 to date, the year given being the year of installation into office**

1.	Henry C. Lawrence*	Lafayette	(3)	1854	1855	1856	
2.	Ephraim Colestock*	Indianapolis	(1)			1857	
3.	George W. Porter*	New Albany	(5)			1858	
4.	William Pelan*	Connersville	(6)			1859	
5.	Solomon D. Bayless*	Fort Wayne	(4)	1860	1861	1862,	1863
6.	William Hacker*	Shelbyville	(2)		1864	1865	
7.	Harvey G. Hazelrigg*	Lebanon	(43)		1866	1867	
8.	Thomas Newby*	Connersville	(6)		1868	1869	
9.	David W. Whedon*	Fort Wayne	(4)			1870	
10.	Elbridge G. Hamilton*	LaPorte	(12)			1871	
11.	Charles Cruft*	Terre Haute	(16)			1872	
12.	Edwin D. Palmer*	Richmond	(8)			1873	
13.	Andrew H. Hamilton*	Fort Wayne	(4)			1874	
14.	Nicholas R. Ruckle*	Indianapolis	(1)			1875	
15.	Ervile B. Bishop*	Muncie	(18)			1876	
16.	Agustus D. Lynch*	Indianapolis	(1)			1877	
17.	Alexander Thomas*	Terre Haute	(16)			1878	
18.	Salathiel T. Williams*	Kendalville	(19)			1879	
19.	Henry G. Thayer*	Plymouth	(26)			1880	
20.	John H. Hess*	Columbus	(14)			1881	
21.	Samuel B. Sweet*	Indianapolis	(1)			1882	
22.	Richard L. Woolsey*	Jeffersonville	(27)			1883	
23.	Walter Vail*	Michigan City	(30)			1884	
24.	Henry C. Adams*	Indianapolis	(1)			1885	
25.	Ephraim W. Patrick*	Evansville	(15)			1886	
26.	George W. F. Kirk*	Shelbyville	(2)			1887	
27.	Reuben Peden*	Knightstown	(9)			1888	
28.	Duncan T. Bacon*	Indianapolis	(1)			1889	
29.	Henry H. Lancaster*	Lafayette	(3)			1890	
30.	Irvin B. Webber*	Warsaw	(10)			1891	
31.	Joseph A. Manning*	Michigan City	(30)			1892	
32.	Simeon S. Johnson*	Jeffersonville	(27)			1893	
33.	Charles W. Slick*	Mishawaka	(51)			1894	
34.	Walter M. Hindman*	Vincennes	(20)			1895	
35.	Winfield T. Durbin*	Anderson	(32)			1896	
36.	John E. Redmond*	Logansport	(24)			1897	
37.	John H. Nicholson*	Richmond	(8)			1898	
38.	William E. Perryman*	Terre Haute	(16)			1899	
39.	Eugene W. Kelly*	Muncie	(18)			1900	

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**GRAND COMMANDERS of the GRAND COMMANDERY  
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40.	Leonidas P. Newby*	Knightstown	(9)	1901
41.	Sidney W. Douglas*	Evansville	(15)	1902
42.	Frederick Glass*	Madison	(22)	1903
43.	Charles Goltra*	Crawfordsville	(25)	1904
44.	Nathan L. Agnew †	Valparaiso	(28)	1905
45.	Oliver Gard*	Frankfort	(29)	1906
46.	Vestal W. Woodward*	Indianapolis	(1)	1907
47.	Charles Day*	New Albany	(5)	1908
48.	Luther Short*	Franklin	(23)	1909
49.	William B. Hosford*	Mishawaka	(51)	1910
50.	John L. Rupe*	Richmond	(8)	1911
51.	Charles M. Zion*	Lebanon	(43)	1912
52.	Joseph G. Ibach*	Hammond	(41)	1913
53.	Harry G. Strickland*	Greenfield	(39)	1914
54.	Adrian Hammersley*	Indianapolis	(1)	1915
55.	James L. Randel*	Greencastle	(11)	1916
56.	George H. Steel*	Evansville	(15)	1917
57.	George S. Parker*	Anderson	(32)	1918
58.	Henri T. Conde*	Indianapolis	(1)	1919
59.	Harry C. Moore*	Marion	(22)	1920
60.	Eugene Vatet*	Muncie	(18)	1921
61.	George A. Newhouse*	New Albany	(5)	1922
62.	Gayland M. Leslie*	Fort Wayne	(4)	1923
63.	Edward J. Schonover*	Indianapolis	(1)	1924
64.	George F. Hitchcock*	Plymouth	(26)	1925
65.	Will M. Sparks*	Rushville	(49)	1926
66.	Clarence H. Snoke*	South Bend	(13)	1927
67.	William W. Suckow*	Franklin	(23)	1928
68.	Arthur F. Funkhouser*	Evansville	(15)	1929
69.	George L. Davis*	Kokomo	(36)	1930
70.	Meade Vestal*	Noblesville	(61)	1931
71.	John T. Boyd*	Vincennes	(20)	1932
72.	J. Rufus Hinshaw*	New Castle	(44)	1933
73.	Roy D. Smiley*	Washington	(33)	1934
74.	Ralph Howard*	Greencastle	(11)	1935
75.	Harvey S. Wambaugh*	Elkhart	(31)	1936
76.	Fred N. Prass*	Lafayette	(3)	1937
77.	Clyde E. Titus*	Indianapolis	(1)	1938
78.	Ralph P. Cain*	Richmond	(8)	1939

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79.	John C. Bush*	Gary	(57)	1940
80.	George J. Leininger*	Columbia City	(34)	1941
81.	Walter G. Rice*	Terre Haute	(16)	1942
82.	Hugh E. Mauzy*	Rushville	(49)	1943
83.	Alvah D. Alexander*	Evansville	(15)	1944
84.	Perry C. Traver*	South Bend	(13)	1945
85.	Edmund F. Ball*	Muncie	(18)	1946
86.	Floyd L. Kresge*	Indianapolis	(1)	1947
87.	Philip N. Kester*	Madison	(22)	1948
88.	Howard F. Christner*	Elkhart	(31)	1949
89.	Don P. Carpenter*	Brazil	(48)	1950
90.	G. Max Fowler*	Frankfort	(29)	1951
91.	Alfred E. Braam*	Highland	(41)	1952
92.	Paul G. Smiley*	Washington	(33)	1953
93.	Charles E. Cook*	N Manchester	(37)	1954
94.	Samuel S. Geake*	Fort Wayne	(4)	1955
95.	Willard M. Avery*	Knightstown	(9)	1956
96.	Edwin M. Demlow*	Indianapolis	(62)	1957
97.	C. Wilbur Foster*	Indianapolis	(1)	1958
98.	Joseph R. Erb*	Buck Creek	(3)	1959
99.	Marvin M. Foulke*	Terre Haute	(16)	1960
100.	James A. Wills*	Evansville	(15)	1961
101.	Russell D. Huffington*	Gary	(57)	1962
102.	Adam S. Riggins*	Muncie	(18)	1963
103.	David J. Miller*	Goshen	(50)	1964
104.	James G. Frey*	Vincennes	(20)	1965
105.	Harold R. Hoolihan*	Angola	(45)	1966
106.	Richard D. Unger*	Morristown	(2)	1967
107.	Harry F. Otterman*	Frankfort	(29)	1968
108.	K. Edwin Applegate*	Bloomington	(63)	1969
109.	Walter P. Worland *	Greenfield	(39)	1970
110.	Omar E. Hager *	Hammond	(41)	1971
111.	Forrest L. Mock*	Muncie	(18)	1972
112.	Russell R. Aulm*	South Bend	(13)	1973
113.	Herbert A. Newman*	Indianapolis	(1)	1974
114.	James S. De Mond *	Fort Wayne	(4)	1975
115.	David R. Poling, Jr.*	Lafayette	(3)	1976
116.	R. Frank Williams *	Evansville	(15)	1977
117.	Robert E. Price*	Connersville	(6)	1978

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### GRAND COMMANDERS of the GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR of INDIANA (continued)

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118.	Ernest G. Cunningham*	Hammond	(41)	1979
119.	Harold F. Thieman*	Columbus	(14)	1980
120.	Joseph A. Barnes*	Indianapolis	(62)	1981
121.	Ronald L. Tungett	Elkhart	(31)	1982
122.	Kenneth E. Gibson *	Fort Wayne	(4)	1983
123.	Ronald D. Simpson	Kokomo	(36)	1984
124.	Herbert G. Roach	Vincennes	(20)	1985
125.	Robert E. DuBois*	Highland	(58)	1986
126.	William L. Leffler*	Baldwin	(2)	1987
127.	Paul W. Friend	Angola	(45)	1988
128.	John V. Stevens	Kokomo	(36)	1989
129.	Steven J. Barton	Knightstown	(9)	1990
130.	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr.	Angola	(45)	1991
131.	Gerald A. Sullivan, Jr. ^	Indianapolis	(1)	1992
132.	Peter T. Zivanovich*	Highland	(58)	1993
133.	Duane Stucker *	Baldwin	(2)	1994
134.	James W. Roberts*	New Albany	(5)	1995
135.	Willard R. Clutter, Jr.*	Noblesville	(61)	1996
136.	James W. Prairie	Morgantown	(63)	1997
137.	Robert J. Frazer	Richmond	(8)	1998
138.	Henry E. LaHurreau *	Fort Wayne	(4)	1999
139.	Irvin L. Bitting	DeMotte	(3)	2000
140.	Duane L. Vaught	Crawfordsville	(25)	2001
141.	T. Jeffery Conquest ^	Angola	(45)	2002
142.	George A. Ingles, Jr.	William G. Bray	(65)	2003
143.	Ronald L. Ellis	Columbus	(14)	2004
144.	Lawrence V. Kaminsky*	Hammond	(41)	2005
145.	Rodney A. Mann	Baldwin	(2)	2006
146.	Andrew R. Jackson	Raper	(1)	2007
147.	David M. Bertch	Connerville	(6)	2008
148.	Larry W. Brown	Selma	(18)	2009
149.	James L. Dove	LaPorte	(12)	2010
150.	Paul A. Cole	Baldwin	(2)	2011
151.	Bobby J. Roberts	Fort Wayne	(4)	2012
152.	Jackie F. Wallace	Fountaintown	(2)	2013
153.	Michael D. Ritter	Muncie	(32)	2014
154.	James L. Bolinger	Vandalia, MI	(13)	2015
155.	Donald D. Olvey	Plainfield	(65)	2016
156.	Lawrence J. Williams	La Porte	(12)	2017

\* Deceased    ^ Demit    † Not affiliated in Indiana at time of death

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**GRAND RECORDERS of the GRAND COMMANDERY  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR of INDIANA  
of the Grand Commandery from organization in 1854 to date**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Commandery</b>	<b>Dates</b>
1.	Francis King*	(1)	1854 to 1865
2.	William Hacker*	(2)	1866 to 1868
3.	John M. Bramwell*		1868 to November 10, 1888
4.	William J. Smythe*	(11)	November 10, 1888 to February 11, 1901
5.	Jacob W. Smith*		February 11, 1901 to April 18, 1901
6.	Calvin W. Prather*	(32)	April 18, 1901 to August 1, 1920
7.	William H. Swintz*	(13)	September 13, 1920 to February 12, 1948
8.	John T. Boyd*	(20)	February 12, 1948 to March 26, 1956
9.	Paul G. Smiley*	(33)	March 26, 1956 to July 5, 1958
10.	Edwin M. Demlow*	(62)	July 5, 1958 to July 31, 1971
11.	Richard D. Unger*	(2)	July 31, 1971 to July 31, 1985
12.	Robert E. Price*	(6)	July 31, 1985 to August 31, 1998
13.	John V. Stevens	(36)	August 31, 1998 to June 30, 2006
14.	Lawrence V. Kaminsky*	(41)	July 1, 2006 to November 30, 2015
15.	George A. Ingles, Jr.	(65)	December 1, 2015 to Present

\* Deceased

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**ANNUAL CONCLAVES OF THE  
GRAND COMMANDERY OF INDIANA**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Held at</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Presiding</b>	<b>Residence</b>
1.	1854	Lafayette	December 27, 1854	Henry C. Lawrence, GM	Lafayette
2.	1855	Fort Wayne	December 26, 1855	Henry C. Lawrence, GM	Lafayette
3.	1856	Greensburg	December 24, 1856	Henry C. Lawrence, GM	Lafayette
4.	1857	Indianapolis	December 2, 1857	Henry C. Lawrence, GM	Lafayette
5.	1858	New Albany	December 1, 1858	Ephraim Colestock, GM	Indianapolis
6.	1859	Connersville	December 7, 1859	George W. Porter, GC	New Albany
7.	1860	Indianapolis	December 5, 1860	William Plean, GC	Connersville
8.	1862	Fort Wayne	April 1, 1862	Solomom D. Bayless, GC	Fort Wayne
9.	1863	Lafayette	April 7, 1863	Solomom D. Bayless, GC	Fort Wayne
10.	1864	Indianapolis	May 6, 1864	Solomom D. Bayless, GC	Fort Wayne
11.	1865	Indianapolis	April 4, 1865	William Hacker, GC	Shelbyville
12.	1866	Indianapolis	April 3, 4, 1866	William Hacker, GC	Shelbyville
13.	1867	Shelbyville	April 2, 3, 1867	Harvey Hazelrigg, GC	Lebanon
14.	1868	Indianapolis	April 7, 1868	Harvey Hazelrigg, GC	Lebanon
15.	1869	Indianapolis	April 6, 1869	Thomas Newby, GC	Connersville
16.	1870	Indianapolis	April 5, 1870	Thomas Newby, GC	Connersville
17.	1871	Indianapolis	April 4, 1871	Elbridge G. Hamilton, GC	LaPorte
18.	1872	Indianapolis	April 2, 1872	Elbridge G. Hamilton, GC	LaPorte
19.	1873	Muncie	April 1, 1873	Charles Cruft, GC	Terre Haute
20.	1874	Indianapolis	April 28, 1874	Edwin D. Palmer, GC	Richmond
21.	1875	Indianapolis	April 27, 1875	Andrew H. Hamilton, GC	Fort Wayne
22.	1876	Indianapolis	April 25, 1876	Nicholas R. Ruckle, GC	Indianapolis
23.	1877	Indianapolis	April 24, 1877	Ervile B. Bishop, GC	Muncie
24.	1878	Indianapolis	April 13, 1878	Augustus D. Lynch, GC	Indianapolis
25.	1879	Indianapolis	April 29, 1879	Alexander Thomas, GC	Terre Haute
26.	1880	Indianapolis	April 7, 1880	Salathiel T. Williams, GC	Kendallville
27.	1881	Indianapolis	April 26, 1881	Henry G. Thayer, GC	Plymouth
28.	1882	Indianapolis	April 25, 1882	John H. Hess, GC	Columbus
29.	1883	Indianapolis	April 24, 1883	Samuel B. Sweet, GC	Indianapolis
30.	1884	Indianapolis	April 29, 1884	Richard L. Woolsey, GC	Jeffersonville
31.	1885	Indianapolis	April 28, 1885	Walter Vail, GC	Michigan City
32.	1886	Indianapolis	April 27, 28, 1886	Henry C. Adams, GC	Indianapolis
33.	1887	Indianapolis	April 26, 27, 1887	Ephraim W. Patrick, GC	Evansville
34.	1888	Indianapolis	April 24, 25, 1888	George W. F. Kirk, GC	Shelbyville
35.	1889	Indianapolis	April 30, May 1, 1889	Reuben Peden, GC	Knightstown
36.	1890	Indianapolis	April 15, 16, 1890	Duncan T. Bacon, GC	Indianapolis
37.	1891	Terre Haute	April 21, 22, 1891	Henry H. Lancaster, GC	Lafayette
38.	1892	Evansville	April 19, 20, 1892	Irvin B. Webber, GC	Warsaw
39.	1893	Indianapolis	April 19, 20, 1893	Joseph A. Manning, GC	Michigan City
40.	1894	Indianapolis	April 18, 19, 1894	Simeon S. Johnson, GC	Jeffersonville

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<b>No.</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Held at</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Presiding</b>	<b>Residence</b>
41.	1895	Indianapolis	April 17, 18, 1895	Charles W. Slick, GC	Mishawaka
42.	1896	Indianapolis	April 15, 16, 1896	Walter M. Hindman, GC	Vincennes
43.	1897	Anderson	April 21, 22, 1897	Winfield T. Durbin, GC	Anderson
44.	1898	Logansport	April 20, 21, 1898	John E. Redmond, GC	Logansport
45.	1899	Richmond	April 19, 20, 1899	John H. Nicholson, GC	Richmond
46.	1900	Indianapolis	April 18, 19, 1900	William E. Perryman, GC	Terre Haute
47.	1901	Muncie	April 17, 18, 1901	Eugene W. Kelly, GC	Muncie
48.	1902	South Bend	April 16, 17, 1902	Leonidas P. Newby, GC	Knightstown
49.	1903	Fort Wayne	April 15, 16, 1903	Sidney W. Douglas, GC	Evansville
50.	1904	Indianapolis	May 10, 11, 1904	Frederick Glass, GC	Madison
51.	1905	Indianapolis	May 10, 11, 1905	Charles Goltra, GC	Crawfordsville
52.	1906	Winona	May 9, 10, 11, 1906	Nathan L. Agnew, GC	Valparaiso
53.	1907	Indianapolis	May 8, 9, 1907	Oliver Gard, GC	Frankfort
54.	1908	Winona	June 10, 11, 12, 1908	Vestal Woodward, GC	Indianapolis
55.	1909	Indianapolis	May 12, 13, 1909	Charles Day, GC	New Albany
56.	1910	Indianapolis	May 11, 12, 1910	Luther Short, GC	Franklin
57.	1911	Indianapolis	May 10, 11, 1911	Wm. B. Hosford, GC	Mishawaka
58.	1912	Indianapolis	May 8, 9, 1912	John L. Rupe, GC	Richmond
59.	1913	Crawfordsville	May 14, 15, 1913	Charles M. Zion, GC	Lebanon
60.	1914	Indianapolis	May 13, 14, 1914	Joseph G. Ibach, GC	Hammond
61.	1915	Indianapolis	May 13, 14, 1915	Harry G. Strickland, GC	Greenfield
62.	1916	Indianapolis	May 10, 11, 1916	Adrian Hammersley, GC	Washington
63.	1917	Kokomo	May 9, 10, 1917	James Randall, GC	Greencastle
64.	1918	Evansville	May 8, 9, 1918	George H. Steel, GC	Evansville
65.	1919	Indianapolis	May 14, 15, 1919	George S. Parker, GC	Anderson
66.	1920	Indianapolis	May 12, 13, 1920	Henri T. Conde, GC	Indianapolis
67.	1921	Indianapolis	May 11, 12, 1921	Harry C. Moore, GC	Marion
68.	1922	Indianapolis	May 10, 11, 1922	Eugene Vatet, GC	Muncie
69.	1923	Winona	June 19, 20, 21, 1923	George A. Newhouse, GC	New Albany
70.	1924	Fort Wayne	May 14, 15, 1924	Gaylard M. Leslie, GC	Fort Wayne
71.	1925	Indianapolis	May 12, 13, 14, 1925	Edward J. Schoonover, GC	Indianapolis
72.	1926	Terre Haute	May 12, 13, 1926	George F. Hitchcock, GC	Plymouth
73.	1927	Muncie	May 11, 12, 1927	Will M. Sparks, GC,	Rushville
74.	1928	South Bend	May 9, 10, 1928	Clarence H. Snoke, GC	South Bend
75.	1929	Indianapolis	May 8, 9, 1929	William W. Suckow, GC	Franklin
76.	1930	Evansville	May 14, 15, 1930	Arthur F. Funkhouser, GC	Evansville
77.	1931	Indianapolis	May 13, 14, 1931	George L. Davis, GC	Kokomo
78.	1932	Huntington	May 11, 12, 1932	Meade Vestal, GC	Noblesville
79.	1933	Indianapolis	May 10, 1933	John T. Boyd, GC	Vincennes
80.	1934	Bloomington	May 8, 9, 1934	J. Rufus Hinshaw, GC	New Castle

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81.	1935	Indianapolis	May 8, 1935	Roy D. Smiley, GC	Washington
82.	1936	Muncie	May 13, 1936	Ralph Howard, GC	Greencastle
83.	1937	Elkhart	May 12, 13, 1937	Harvey S. Wambaugh, GC	Elkhart
84.	1938	Lafayette	May 11, 12, 1938	Fred N. Prass, GC	Lafayette
85.	1939	Indianapolis	May 10, 11, 1939	Clyde E. Titus, GC	Indianapolis
86.	1940	Richmond	May 8, 9, 1940	Ralph Cain, GC	Richmond
87.	1941	Gary	May 12, 1941	John Bush, GC	Gary
88.	1942	Indianapolis	May 12, 1942	George J. Leininger, GC	Columbia City
89.	1943	Indianapolis	May 12, 1943	Walter G. Rice, GC	Terre Haute
90.	1944	Indianapolis	May 10, 1944	Hugh E. Mauzy, GC	Rushville
91.	1945	Indianapolis	August 8, 1945	Alvah D. Alexander, GC	Evansville
92.	1946	South Bend	May 8, 9, 1946	Perry C. Traver, GC	South Bend
93.	1947	Muncie	May 9, 10, 1947	Edmund F. Ball, GC	Muncie
94.	1948	Indianapolis	May 12, 13, 1948	Floyd Kresge, GC	Indianapolis
95.	1949	Indianapolis	May 11, 12, 1949	Philip N. Kestner, GC	Madison
96.	1950	Elkhart	May 12, 13, 1950	Howard F. Christner, GC	Elkhart
97.	1951	Bloomington	May 10, 11, 1951	Don P. Carpenter, GC	Brazil
98.	1952	Lafayette	May 14, 15, 1952	G. Max Fowler, GC	Frankfort
99.	1953	Hammond	May 8, 9, 1953	Alfred E. Braam, GC	Highland
100.	1954	Indianapolis	May 12, 13, 1954	Paul G. Smiley, GC	Washington
101.	1955	Muncie	May 13, 14, 1955	Charles E. Cook, GC	N Manchester
102.	1956	Fort Wayne	May 11, 12, 1956	Samuel S. Geake, GC	Fort Wayne
103.	1957	Bloomington	May 17, 18, 1957	Willard M. Avery, GC	Knightstown
104.	1958	Indianapolis	May 9, 10, 1958	Edwin M. Demlow, GC	Indianapolis
105.	1959	Indianapolis	May 8, 9, 1959	C. Wilbur Foster, GC	Indianapolis
106.	1960	Lafayette	May 20, 21, 1960	Joseph R. Erb, GC	Lafayette
107.	1961	Terre Haute	May 12, 13, 1961	Marvin E. Foulke, GC	Terre Haute
108.	1962	Evansville	May 11, 12, 1962	James A. Wills, GC	Evansville
109.	1963	Gary	May 10, 11, 1963	Russell D. Huffington, GC	Gary
110.	1964	Muncie	May 8, 9, 1964	Adam S. Riggan, GC	Muncie
111.	1965	South Bend	May 14, 15, 1965	David J. Miller, GC	Goshen
112.	1966	Vincennes	May 13, 14, 1966	James G. Frey, GC	Vincennes
113.	1967	Fort Wayne	May 12, 13, 1967	Harold R. Hoolihan, GC	Angola
114.	1968	Columbus	May 10, 11, 1968	Richard D. Unger, GC	Baldwin
115.	1969	Lafayette	May 23, 24, 1969	Harry F. Otterman, GC	Frankfort
116.	1970	Bloomington	May 22, 23, 1970	K. Edwin Applegate, GC	Bloomington
117.	1971	Indianapolis	May 7, 8, 1971	Walter P. Worland, GC	Greenfield
118.	1972	Hammond	May 12, 13, 1972	Omar E. Hager, GC	Hammond
119.	1973	Muncie	May 4, 5, 1973	Forrest L. Mock, GC	Muncie
120.	1974	South Bend	May 3, 4, 1974	Russell R. Aulm, GC	South Bend

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<b>No.</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Held at</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Presiding</b>	<b>Residence</b>
121.	1975	Indianapolis	April 25, 26, 1975	Herbert A. Newman, GC	Indianapolis
122.	1976	Fort Wayne	April 30, May 1, 1976	James S. De Mond, GC	Fort Wayne
123.	1977	Lafayette	May 6, 7, 1977	David R. Poling, Jr., GC	Lafayette
124.	1978	Evansville	May 20, 21, 22, 1978	R. Frank Williams, GC	Fort Branch
125.	1979	Indianapolis	April 27, 28, 1979	Robert E. Price, GC	Connersville
126.	1980	Merrillville	May 1, 2, 3, 1980	Ernest G. Cunningham, GC	Munster
127.	1981	Columbus	April 24, 25, 1981	Harold F. Thieman, GC	Columbus
128.	1982	Indianapolis	April 23, 24, 1982	Joseph A. Barnes, GC	Beech Grove
129.	1983	Elkhart	April 29, 30, 1983	Ronald L. Tungett, GC	Elkhart
130.	1984	Fort Wayne	May 4, 5, 1984	Kenneth E. Gibson, GC	Fort Wayne
131.	1985	Indianapolis	April 26, 27, 1985	Ronald D. Simpson, GC	Greentown
132.	1986	Vincennes	May 2, 3, 1986	Herbert G. Roach, GC	Odon
133.	1987	Indianapolis	April 24, 25, 1987	Robert E. DuBois, GC	Highland
134.	1988	Indianapolis	April 29, 30, 1988	William L. Leffler, GC	Shelbyville
135.	1989	Indianapolis	April 28, 29, 1989	Paul W. Friend, GC	Angola
136.	1990	Indianapolis	April 20, 21, 1990	John V. Stevens, GC	Kokomo
137.	1991,	Indianapolis	April 26, 27, 1991	Steven J. Barton, GC	Greenfield
138.	1992	Indianapolis	May 1, 2, 1992	Dwight E. Lanman, Jr., GC	Angola
139.	1993	Indianapolis	April 30, May 1, 1993	Gerald A. Sullivan, Jr., GC	Indianapolis
140.	1994	Indianapolis	April 29, 30, 1994	Peter T. Zivanovich, GC	Highland
141.	1995	Indianapolis	April 28, 29, 1995	Duane Stucker, GC	Shelbyville
142.	1996	Indianapolis	April 26, 27, 1996	James W. Roberts, GC	New Albany
143.	1997	Indianapolis	April 26, 1997	Willard R. Clutter, Jr., GC	Noblesville
144.	1998	Indianapolis	April 24, 25, 1998	James W. Prairie, GC	Bloomington
145.	1999	Indianapolis	April 30, May 1, 1999	Robert J. Frazer, GC	Richmond
146.	2000	Indianapolis	April 28, 29, 2000	Henry E. LaHurreau, GC	Fort Wayne
147.	2001	Indianapolis	April 27, 28, 2001	Irvin L. Bitting, GC	Roselawn
148.	2002	Indianapolis	April 26, 27, 2002	Duane L. Vaught, GC	Crawfordsville
149.	2003	Indianapolis	April 25, 26, 2003	T. Jeffery Conquest, GC	Goshen
150.	2004	Indianapolis	April 23, 24, 2004	George A. Ingles, Jr., GC	Brownsburg
151.	2005	Indianapolis	April 29, 30, 2005	Ronald L. Ellis, GC	Columbus
152.	2006	Indianapolis	April 28, 29, 2006	Lawrence V. Kaminsky, GC	Highland
153.	2007	Indianapolis	April 27, 28, 2007	Rodney A. Mann GC	Shelbyville
154.	2008	Indianapolis	April 25, 26, 2008	Andrew R. Jackson, GC	Greenwood
155.	2009	Indianapolis	April 24, 25, 2009	David M. Bertch, GC	Liberty
156.	2010	Indianapolis	April 23, 24, 2010	Larry W. Brown, GC	Selma
157.	2011	Indianapolis	April 28, 29, 2011	James L. Dove, GC	LaPorte
158.	2012	Indianapolis	April 27, 28, 2012	Paul A. Cole, GC	Shelbyville
159.	2013	Indianapolis	April 26, 27, 2013	Bobby J. Roberts, GC	Winchester
160.	2014	Indianapolis	April 24, 25, 2014	Jackie F. Wallace, GC	Fountaintown

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<b>No.</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Held at</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Presiding</b>	<b>Residence</b>
161	2015	Indianapolis	April 29, 30, 2015	Michael D. Ritter, GC	Muncie
162	2016	Indianapolis	April 30, May 1, 2016	James L. Bolinger, GC	Vandaila, MI
163	2017	Columbus	April 28, 29, 2017	Donald D. Olvey, GC	Plainfield
164	2018	Noblesville	April 27, 28, 2018	Lawrence J. Williams	Michigan City

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### **ACTIVE CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES OF INDIANA GIVING DATES OF CHARTER AND PRECEDENCE**

	<b>Commandery</b>	<b>Date Chartered</b>	<b>Date Precedence</b>
1.	Raper No. 1	April 7, 1868	October 16, 1850
2.	Baldwin No. 2	April 8, 1868	September 19, 1853
3.	Fort Wayne No.4	April 7, 1868	May 13, 1853
4.	New Albany No. 5	April 7, 1868	January 23, 1855
5.	Connersville No. 6	April 7, 1868	December 27, 1855
6.	Richmond No. 8	April 7, 1868	April 5, 1865
7.	Greencastle No. 11	April 7, 1868	April 3, 1867
8.	LaPorte, No. 12	April 7, 1868	April 3, 1867
9.	South Bend No. 13	April 8, 1868	April 3, 1867
10.	Columbus No. 14	April 8, 1868	April 8, 1868
11.	LaValette No. 15	April 7, 1868	April 8, 1867
12.	Terre Haute No. 16	April 8, 1868	April 8, 1868
13.	Apollo No. 19	April 7, 1869	April 7, 1869
14.	Vincennes No. 20	April 7, 1869	April 7, 1869
15.	Grant County No. 21	April 5, 1871	April 5, 1871
16.	Crawfordsville No. 25	April 28, 1875	April 28, 1875
17.	Valparaiso No. 28	April 26, 1876	April 26, 1876
18.	Frankfort No. 29	April 27, 1881	April 27, 1881
19.	Elkhart No. 31	April 30, 1884	April 30, 1884
20.	Anderson No. 32	April 29, 1885	April 29, 1885
21.	Huntington No. 35	April 20, 1892	August 20, 1891
22.	Kokomo No. 36	April 20, 1892	November 6, 1891
23.	Greenfield No. 39	April 22, 1897	May 16, 1896
24.	Bedford No. 42	April 20, 1899	January 25, 1899
25.	Angola No. 45	April 17, 1902	March 24, 1902
26.	E. H. Gary No. 57	May 14, 1914	February 22, 1912
27.	Noblesville No. 61	May 11, 1922	May 11, 1922
28.	Prather No. 62	June 21, 1923	June 21, 1923
29.	Bloomington No. 63	May 14, 1925	March 31, 1925
30.	Wright No. 64	April 29, 1988	April 29, 1988
31.	William G. Bray No. 65	April 30, 1993	March 14, 1992
32.	H.E. Lackey No. 67	April 29, 1994	April 30, 1993
33.	Greene County No. 68	April 28, 2017	May 1, 2016
34.	St. Anselm, U.D.	Not Chartered	April 26, 1991

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**TIME AND PLACE OF TRIENNIAL CONCLAVES  
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<b>No.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Where Held</b>	<b>Presiding Officer</b>
1	June 20-21, 1816	New York, NY	DeWitt Clinton, G.G.M.
2	September 16, 1819	New York, NY	Henry Fowle, G.G.G.
3	September 18-19, 1826	New York, NY	John Snow, G.G.G.
4	September 14-15, 1829	New York, NY	Jonathon Nye, D.G.G.M.
5	Nov. 29-Dec. 1, 1832	Baltimore, MD	Jonathon Nye, D.G.G.M.
6	December 7-10, 1835	Washington, DC	Jonathon Nye, D.G.G.M.
7	September 12-14, 1838	Boston, MA	James M. Allen, G.G.M.
8	September 14-17, 1841	New York, NY	James M. Allen, G.G.M.
9	September 10-12, 1844	New Haven, CT	Joseph K. Stapleton, D.G.G.M.
10	September 14-18, 1847	Columbus, OH	Archibald Bull, G.G.M.
11	September 10-14, 1850	Boston, MA	William B. Hubbard, G.G.M.
12	September 13-19, 1853	Lexington, KY	William B. Hubbard, G.G.M.
13	September 9-15, 1856	Hartford, CT	William B. Hubbard, G.G.M.
14	September 13-19, 1859	Chicago, IL	William B. Hubbard, G.G.M.
15	September 1-4, 1862	New York, NY	Benjamin B. French, G.M.
16	September 5-7, 1865	Columbus, OH	Benjamin B. French, G.M.
17	September, 15-18, 1868	St. Louis, MO	Henry L. Palmer, G.M.
18	September 19-23, 1871	Baltimore, MD	Wm. Sewell Gardner, G.M.
19	December 1-5, 1874	New Orleans, LA	John Q. A. Fellows, G.M.
20	August 28-31, 1877	Cleveland, OH	John Herron Hopkins, G.M.
21	August 17-20, 1880	Chicago, IL	Vincent Lombard Hurlbut, G.M.
22	August 21-23, 1883	San Francisco, CA	Benjamin Dean, G.M.
23	September 21-24, 1886	St. Louis, MO	Charles Roome, G.D.M.
24	October 8-11, 1889	Washington, DC	Charles Roome, G.D.M.
25	August 9-12, 1892	Denver, CO	J. P. S. Gobin, G.M.
26	August 27-30, 1895	Boston, MA	Hugh McCurdy, G.M.
27	October 11-14, 1898	Pittsburg, PA	Warren LaRue Thomas, G.M.
28	August 27-29, 1901	Louisville, KY	R. H. Lloyd, G.M.
29	September 6-9, 1904	San Francisco, CA	Henry B. Stoddard, G.M.
30	July 9-11, 1907	Sarasota Springs, NY	George M. Moulton, G.M.
31	August 9-11, 1910	Chicago, IL	Henry W. Rugg, G.M.
32	August 12-14, 1913	Denver, CO	William B. Melish, G.M.
33	June 20-23, 1916	Los Angeles, CA	Lee S. Smith, D.G.M., A.G.M.
34	September 9-11, 1919	Philadelphia, PA	Lee S. Smith, G.M.
35	April 25-27, 1922	New Orleans, LA	Joseph Kyle Orre, G.M.
36	July 28-31, 1925	Seattle, WA	Leonidas P. Newby, G.M.
37	July 16-19, 1928	Detroit, MI	George W. Valery, G.M.
38	June 20-26, 1931	Minneapolis, MN	William L. Sharp, G.M.
39	July 7-13, 1934	San Francisco, CA	Andrew D. Agnew, GC, A.G.M.

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<b>No.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Where Held</b>	<b>Presiding Officer</b>
40	July 17-23, 1937	Miami, FL	Andrew D. Agnew, G.M.
41	July 13-19, 1940	Cleveland, OH	Mark Norris, G.M.
42	May 24-25, 1943	Chicago, IL	Harry G. Pollard, G.M.
43	Oct. 23-Nov. 1, 1946	Houston, TX	Charles Noah Orr, G.M.
44	September 17-23, 1949	San Francisco, CA	John Temple Rice, G.M.
45	September 20-26, 1952	New Orleans, LA	Robert B. Gaylord, G.M.
46	August 20-26, 1955	New York, NY	William C. Gordon, G.M.
47	August 16-22, 1958	Indianapolis, IN	Walter A. DeLamater, G.M.
48	August 12-17, 1961	Cleveland, OH	Louis H. Weiber, G.M.
49	August 22-27, 1964	Philadelphia, PA	Paul Miller Moore, G.M.
50	August 19-24, 1967	Detroit, MI	Wilber M. Brucker, G.M.
51	August 22-27, 1970	Denver, CO	John L. Crofts, G.M.
52	August 13-16, 1973	Chicago, IL	G. Wilbur Bell, G.M.
53	Aug. 28-Sept. 2, 1976	Kansas City, MO	Roy W. Riegler, G.M.
54	August 11-16, 1979	Indianapolis, IN	Willard M. Avery, G.M.
55	August 14-19, 1982	Hot Springs, AR	Kenneth C. Johnson, G.M.
56	August 10-14, 1985	Cincinnati, OH	Ned E. Dull, G.M.
57	August 5-10, 1988	Lexington, KY	Donald H. Smith, G.M.
58	August 19-21, 1991	Washington, DC	Marvin E. Fowler, G.M.
59	August 15-17, 1994	Denver, CO	William H. Thornley, Jr., G.M.
60	August 8-13, 1997	St. Louis, MO	Blair Christy Mayford, G.M.
61	August 11-16, 2000	Nashville, TN	James M. Ward, G.M.
62	August 15-20, 2003	St. Louis, MO	William Jackson Jones, G.M.
63	August 11-16, 2006	Houston, TX	Kenneth Bernard Fischer, G.M.
64	August 15-19, 2009	Roanoke, VA	William Howard. Koon, II, G.M.
65	August 11-15, 2012	Alexandria, VA	William Howard. Koon, II, G.M.
66	August 8-12, 2015	Buffalo, NY	David Dixon Goodwin, G.M.

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**ROSTER OF INACTIVE AND RENAMED COMMANDERIES OF  
THE GRAND COMMANDERY, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF INDIANA**

Greensburg No. 2 - Charter date September 1853, was one of the three Commanderies who gathered in Indianapolis on May 16, 1854, to form the Grand Encampment (Commandery) of Indiana. In 1865, it was noted that no returns from Greensburg No.2 had been received since 1861. The Grand Commander reported that the Commandery was reorganized and located at Shelbyville. On April 4, 1866, the name was officially changed to Baldwin No. 2.

Lafayette No. 3 – Organized on September 19, 1853, Charter Date April 7, 1868; On June 5, 2017 surrendered their Charter and merged with Frankfort No. 29.

Cambridge City No. 6 - On April 8, 1868, the name of Connersville Commandery No. 6 was changed to Cambridge City No. 6. On April 30, 1884, this action was rescinded and both the location and name reverted to Connersville.

Bedford No. 7 - Charter date December 2, 1858. In the Proceedings of 1864, it is noted that the Charter was ‘surrendered.’”

William Hacker No. 9 - Organized April 4, 1866 and Chartered April 8, 1868. Name changed to Knightstown No. 9 on April 28, 1874. Knightstown No. 9 surrendered their charter on March 31, 2008 and merged with Greenfield No. 39.

Warsaw No. 10 - Chartered April 7, 1868, and merged with Goshen No. 50 on October 14, 1995.

Thomas H. Lynch No. 14 - Chartered April 4, 1868. Name changed to Columbus No. 14 on April 28, 1874.

Dowling No. 16- Chartered April 8, 1868. Name changed to Terre Haute No. 16 on April 5, 1871.

Aurora No. 17 - Chartered April 7, 1869. Charter “annulled” May 9, 1929, revoked by action of Grand Commandery.

Muncie No.18 – Chartered April 7, 1869. Charter surrendered December 11, 2000. Charter was restored on October 24, 2006. Charter surrendered December 31, 2010.

Marion No. 21 - Chartered April 5, 1871. Name changes to Grant County No. 21 on April 25, 1975.

Caleb Schmidlapp No. 22 - Chartered April 3, 1872. Name changed to Madison No. 22 on April 1, 1873.

Franklin No. 23 - Chartered April 3, 1872. Name changed to Johnson County No. 23 on April 20, 1990. Merged with Baldwin No. 2 on July 24, 2017.

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Plymouth No. 26 - Chartered April 28, 1875. Charter surrendered September 11, 1974, and merged with South Bend No. 13.

St. John No. 24 Chartered April 2, 1873. Charter surrendered January 2, 2012 and merged with Frankfort Commandery No. 29.

Jeffersonville No. 27 - Chartered April 26, 1876. Charter surrendered October 13, 2008, and merged with New Albany No. 5.

Michigan City No. 30 - Chartered April 30, 1884 Charter surrendered January 1, 2017, and merged with LaPorte No. 12.

Washington No. 33 - Chartered April 16, 1890. Charter surrendered July 14, 1985, and merged with Vincennes No. 20.

Cyrene No. 34 - Chartered May 2, 1891. Name changed to Columbia City No. 34 on May 9, 1947.

Columbia City No. 34 - Successor to Cyrene No. 34; Charter surrendered September 4, 1968.

Wabash No. 37 – Chartered April 20, 1893. Charter surrendered April 10, 2008, and merged into St. Anselm, U.D.

Bluffton No. 38 - Chartered April 18, 1895. Charter surrendered October 20, 1994, and merged with Fort Wayne No. 4.

Delphi No. 40 - Chartered February 4, 1897. Charter surrendered December 11, 1972, and merged with Lafayette No. 3.

Hammond No. 41 – Chartered April 21, 1898. Charter surrendered April 30, 2015 and merged with Valparaiso No. 28.

Lebanon No. 43 – Chartered April 20, 1899. Charter surrendered August 15, 2000 and merged with Frankfort No. 29.

New Castle No. 44 Chartered April 19, 1900, Charter surrendered January 1, 2006 and merged with Knightstown No. 9.

Princeton No. 46 - Chartered April 26, 1903. Charter surrendered April 22, 1995, and merged with LaValette No. 15.

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Brazil No. 47 – Chartered May 12, 1904, Charter surrendered April 21, 2006 and merged with Greencastle No. 11.

Clinton Commandery No. 48 – Chartered May 12, 1904. Charter surrendered on June 4, 2009 and members merged into Terre Haute Commandery No. 16

Rushville No. 49 - Chartered May 11, 1905. Charter surrendered November 20, 1997, and merged with Connersville No. 6.

Goshen Commandery No. 50 – Chartered May 11, 1905. Charter surrendered May 16, 2006, and merged with Elkhart No. 31.

Mishawaka No. 51 - Chartered January 16, 1906. Charter surrendered March 1, 1973 and merged with South Bend No. 13.

Tipton No. 52 – Chartered May 9, 1907. Charter surrendered January 1, 2001 and merged with Kokomo No. 36.

Winchester No. 53 - Chartered July 18, 1906. Charter surrendered 1961 and merged with Muncie No. 18.

Sullivan No. 54 Chartered July 4, 1907. Charter surrendered September 20, 1979.

Martinsville No. 55 - Chartered April 14, 1908. Charter surrendered on December 1, 1932

Seymour No. 56 – Chartered May 11, 1911 Charter surrendered August 15, 2014 and merged with Columbus No. 14 (Approved May 1, 2015)

Gary No. 57 - Chartered May 14, 1914. Name officially changed to Elbert H. Gary No. 57 at Annual Conclave on April 28, 1995.

East Chicago No. 58 – Chartered May 9, 1912. Charter surrendered December 31, 2000 and merged with Hammond No. 41 at the same location.

Greensburg No. 59 – Chartered May 12, 1920. Charter surrendered December 1, 2001 and merged with Columbus No. 14.

Peru No. 60 - Chartered February 21, 1921. Charter surrendered December 1, 1989 and merged with Wabash No. 37.

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DeMolay No. 62 - Chartered June 21, 1923. Name changed to Oriental No. 62 on May 12, 1941.

Oriental No. 62 - Successor to DeMolay No. 62; At the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery in 1969, Oriental No. 62 petitioned the Grand Commandery to allow a change of location to the Irvington Masonic Temple in Indianapolis. This petition was approved by the Jurisprudence Committee and the Grand Commandery. In the 1970 Proceedings, the name appears as Trinity No. 62 but the only record of a name change is noted in the Conclave Bulletin No. 1. No other record can be found in the Proceedings of the official change of name or of the approval of the change of By-Laws of this Commandery to change the name.

Trinity No. 62 - Charter was arrested by Grand Commander March 11, 1995. Members at that time were transferred into St. Anselm Commandery, U.D., pending final resolution of the future of the Commandery. On July 25, 1995, the charter was restored by the Grand Commander and the Commandery moved to another Indianapolis location, at Calvin Prather Lodge No. 717.

The Committee on Dispensations & Charters presented a request to change the name of Oriental Commandery No. 62 (Currently called Trinity Commandery no. 62) to Prather Commandery No. 62 to document the name change properly. Vote taken and passed to officially make the name of the aforementioned Commandery to be henceforth called Prather Commandery No. 62. (Approved April 24, 2010).

Wright Commandery No. 64 Chartered April 29, 1988. Dispensation granted on April 29, 2005, to move their Charter to Eckerty Lodge No. 719, Eckerty, Indiana 47116 on a permanent basis. (May 1, 2006). Dispensation was granted to Wright Commandery No. 64 to move its Charter to Dubois Lodge No. 520 at Huntingburg, Indiana, for the Stated Conclave on September 16, 2009. At that time, the Commandery will be voting to permanently move the Charter to Dubois Lodge, subject to approval at Grand Conclave 2010. (Approved April 24, 2010)

H. W. Matthewson Commandery No. 66 Chartered April 30, 1993. Charter surrendered December 12, 2012 and merged with Lafayette Commandery No. 3 in Lafayette, Indiana. (Approved April 25, 2014)

Lawrence Commandery No. 67 Chartered April 29, 1994. Charter moved to Millersville Lodge September 21, 2002. Name changed to H. E. Lackey Commandery No. 67 on April 23, 2003.

Dwight L. Smith, U.D. - Dispensation issued July 13, 1996, too open Commandery at Salem. Dispensation returned April 24, 1998.

Crown Point, U.D. – Dispensation issued February 12, 2001 to open a Commandery at Crown Point. Dispensation returned April 23, 2003.

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