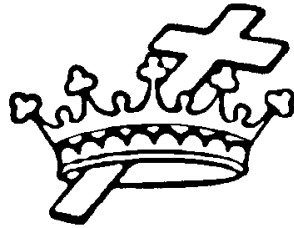


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Greetings Sir Knights,

John quoted Jesus as having said to Martha, "I am the resurrection and the Life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

Peter proclaims, God in his great mercy has given us hope of a new birth through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Thus, Christianity, offers the positive message to mankind of life after death. A time of renewal and to remember that Christ died for our sins, and through his resurrection lies the possibility of life eternal.

Easter is a time of renewal, not only a religious holiday, but a reminder of the Old Testament's prophecy of Christ's birth, life, death, resurrection and ascension, written for our instruction.

Now is the time to not only be thankful but to be steadfast in our duties, we owe to ourselves, our neighbors, our family, our friends, our communities, but most especially to our Lord and Savior.

As this message is read, the new year has begun for the Oregon Knights Templar. Our Code dictating we have our Annual Conclave following the Grand Council each year, which due to the lunar calendar, put it the day after good Friday, makes it difficult for some to attend, but I thank each of you that did.

My year has been one of travel, some excitement, good fellowship, learning and experiencing true brotherly love.

I was very happy to have had quorums at all my official visits, something that has not happened in the past. I was received well and had a warm welcome for the Sir Knights that accompanied me. Though I observed areas that needed a lot of assistance, I also recognized a true desire to grow and spirit of willingness by the few to accomplish it.

I encourage each Commandery in Oregon to make it possible to grow, by educating not only its members, but also the Blue lodges from which we come and share Masonry with.

I again want to thank all the Sir Knights who travelled with me, who gave me needed advice when asked for, who share in my experiences and made it possible for me to perform the duties of the office.

I especially want to thank my son, brother, companion and sir knight, Ryan, who has sacrificed much of his time to accompany me.

Finally, I want to thank the new officers who were elected and appointed and wish them a wonderful full year to prosper in.

Respectfully,
Ralph G. Winters
2019-2020 Grand Commander

Thank you for all the years of your support as I have edited this supplement. With this issue I am passing on the editor's hat to Sir Knight Terry Pea (terrypea@gmail.com) with this publication. Please give him the support you have shown me.

Sir Knight Dale Imbleau, Editor 2014 - 2020