

## **Maryland Supplement**

### **Serving our Community and our Masonic Fraternity**

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### **My Fellow Sir Knights,**

I'm writing this supplement just a few days after our Annual Conclave which was held on October 24<sup>th</sup>. According to the protocol at the time this was a "virtual" conclave held on a zoom platform.

We approved 5 amendments to the Grand Commandery of Maryland's constitution, reviewed the financial status of the Grand Commandery, and heard reports from most of our committees. In addition we elected a Grand Generalissimo (Brad Andrukitis) and a Grand Captain General (John Mitchell). All our Grand Officers were then installed by Past Grand Commander Treklas for the 2020 – 2021 year. The Conclave lasted just under 2 hours and business was conducted efficiently.

I want to thank Grand Recorder Brown for his efforts in organizing this most successful conclave.

In October we held a Commander's meeting and a Recorder's meeting to bring our Commanders and Recorders up to date on the Grand Commandery plans for 2021. A primary topic of those meetings and my address at the Annual Conclaves was that of "Virtual Conclaves".

We are waiting for modifications to Grand Encampment Order #12 which prohibits "in-person" conclaves and conferrals of Orders due to Covid-19. In the meantime we must get back to work and we can do so by using Zoom platforms.

Many Commanderies have already held virtual conclaves successfully. I urge all Sir Knights to take the opportunity to re-connect with your Commandery by using this technology. If you haven't been to a conclave for months or even years please give this a try.

Your recorders will be sending you an e-mail with a "link" to your Commandery's conclave. Joining the conclave is as easy as clicking on that link.

Since this supplement is coming to you in the beginning of December, let me take this opportunity to wish you, your families, friends, and all our Masonic Brothers a very merry, healthy, and blessed Christmas.

Christmas is a very special time of year for all Sir Knights. Celebrate it with vigor and reverence and please take a moment to pray for the end of the Covid pandemic.

Merry Christmas  
Happy New Year

"Joy to the World. The Lord has come".

**Yours in service to Christ,**

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