

Marvin S. Blaine, Grand Commander

Greetings Sir Knights,

February is upon us; I hope the year has been a good one for you and continues to be.

The next few months are going to be busy ones for all of us. There are one day festivals going on across the state in these coming months. When these new knights come in try to keep them coming back. For some reason a lot of them come in and only come to the meetings a couple times, then don't come back. I try to figure this out in the past. I think sometimes it's because they don't have a uniform and they feel out of place. This should not happen, because the uniform is not what the Knights Templar are about; it should be what's in your heart and how you serve Christ and how you can help your fellow man, brothers and the people of this world. Let them know that a white shirt, a black tie, and black slacks is ok until they can get one. Tell them that they can get it a piece at a time, and maybe this will put them at ease about coming.

March is around the corner and with that we have the Department Conference in Fort Wayne. If you have not been to one of these, I suggest you go to one. It's a great way to make new friends and learn a few things about the Knights Templars. April is next, Easter Observance is going to be in Washington D.C. Make plans to go. Bill Ryan and the Knights that help him on this has put a lot effort into this. As in the past it has been great time to worship Jesus and I expect no different this year.

Sir Knights may God be with you and Jesus in your heart always. Courteously,

Marvin S. Blaine

Grand Commander

Work Calendar

Paintsville Winter Fest

January 17-18 - Chapter/Council; February 1 - Commandery (Contact Anthony Skeans anthonyskeans@gmail.com)

Glasgow York Rite Festival
February 1 – Chapter/Council, February 15 - Commandery
(Contact Herb Hess kj4cmg@gmail.com

EAST CENTRL DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE and Leadership Development Training March 14, 2020

Hilton Fort Wayne at the Grand Wayne Convention Center

Make reservations prior to February 15 for Conference room rate of \$114

Conference registration deadline is February 15. Registration fee is \$20; Registration: www.knightstemplar.org/conferences/2020ecdcmeals.pdf

The Conference is open to all Sir Knights.

The York Rite Leadership Training Program is free of charge to the participant. The York Rite provides all training materials and the Instructors. Transportation, lodging, meals, and conference registration are the responsibility of the participant. You do not have to be a member of the York Rite to participate. Contact S. Lane Pierce, Program Administrator, at yrl@yorkriteleadership.org or the editor for more information.

2020 Knights Templar Easter Pilgrimage

The 90thAnnual East Coast Easter Sunrise Service, sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, will be held on the steps of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia, on Sunday, April 12, 2020. Our bus will leave Louisville DeMolay Commandery at 7:00 am on Friday and stop at the Embassy Suites in Lexington around 8:30. A full day of activities has been planned for Saturday. Contact Bill Ryan for details. Cost last year was \$250 per person, double occupancy. The Grand Commandery will pay one half the cost for a sitting Commander if his Commandery picks up the remaining half.

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