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RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER

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**A NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE FROM THE
RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER**

Sir Knights,

Happy New Year! I am excited to see what 2020 brings for Templary in Georgia. As we begin this New Year, let us remember to focus on the most important component of our Order... Membership, which begins with you. Each of us can work hard to Recruit, Retain and Reinstate.

Part of the membership initiative is the Sir Knight Membership Award. I am most pleased to Congratulate and announce that the first Award has been issued to our Eminent Grand Junior Warden, Sir Knight Tyler Pledger. He was Awarded a white shoulder cord as recognition that he has been a first line signer on three petitions.

I challenge each of you to work toward the same Award; I hope to present many more this year. Details about this Award can be found in General Order No. 2.

Yours in all Knightly Courtesy,
Brandon S. Yarbrough, KCT
Right Eminent Grand Commander



MEMBERSHIP MINUTE: JANUARY, 2020

Recently, I was talking with my uncle, who is the Secretary of our Blue Lodge; and he was telling me that he had done everything required by the code before suspending two members for non-payment of dues. He asked if he should try one more telephone call before the lodge took action. I advised that "it might not do much good, but it probably wouldn't hurt." Personal contact resulted in the dues being paid in full for both of these brethren.

In this Membership Minute, I'd first like to encourage ALL of our Sir Knights, and especially our Recorders, to consider making personal contact with members we know are dangerously close to suspension. It may be necessary to make those uncomfortable personal telephone calls. It might be necessary to help them set up some type of payment plan so that they can get caught up. It might be necessary, if all your efforts fail, to suspend those members for non-payment of dues.

January is celebrated as a time of renewal. As we enter into this new year and new decade, let us approach membership with a renewed vision for what we can best do to serve Knight Templary in the state of Georgia. We should not be losing as many Sir Knights to non-payment of dues as we have been losing. Let's work with those individuals to figure out what we can do to be mutually beneficial for each other.

IHSV,
Tyler W. Pledger, Grand Junior Warden
Chairman, Grand Commandery Membership Committee

UPCOMING COMMANDERY INSPECTION SCHEDULE

COMMANDERY	LOCATION	DATE	DAY	TIME	INSPECTING OFFICER
St. Omer #2	Macon	1/11/2020	Sat	11:00	Ray Laird
Plantagenet #12	Milledgeville	1/11/2020	Sat	15:00	Carl Gamel
Bethlehem #30	Thomasville	1/18/2020	Sat	9:30	Paul Wells
Crusader #17	Bainbridge	1/18/2020	Sat	11:00	William Grist
Mt. Calvary #28	Moultrie	1/18/2020	Sat	14:00	William Grist
St. Paul #5	Albany	1/18/2020	Sat	16:00	William Grist
Philemon #33	Toccoa	1/25/2020	Sat	11:00	Tommy Marshall
Pilgrim #15	Gainesville	1/25/2020	Sat	14:30	Tommy Marshall
Arnold de Troye #31	Buford	1/25/2020	Sat	17:30	James Tate
St. Aldemar #3	Columbus	2/1/2020	Sat	11:00	Jan Giddens
Ivanhoe #10	Fort Valley	2/1/2020	Sat	15:30	Ray Laird
St. Peter #45	Warner Robins	2/1/2020	Sat	18:00	Ray Laird