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A Message from the Grand Commander

Sir Knights,

Twin Falls Commandery No.10 hosted a Festival in October where Sir Knights from all over Idaho congregated to confer the Orders, and there were knighted seven new Sir Knights from all areas of Idaho. The work was exceptional and thanks go out to SK Barry Newell, EGJW, and SK Art Shoemaker, PGC, for their performances in the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross, Order of Malta and the Order of the Temple. We congratulate all the new Sir Knights of Idaho and look forward to another Festival in the spring of 2020.

We encourage all Companions of the Idaho Chapters of Royal Arch Masons and the Councils of Cryptic Masons to go to the Lodges and present a program of why they should become York Rite Masons and how to become a member. The programs are featured on the Grand Encampment website in the “Tool Box”. I hope all Commandery membership committees will take advantage of these programs from Grand Encampment to improve our Templar membership. All Christian Masons should be Knights Templar.

I have enjoyed my visitations so far and am encouraged to see that we can now utilize the Short opening of a Commandery for the transaction of business. By using this form of opening and closing, we can conduct business and ballot on new members without having our petitioners waiting several weeks or months to begin their York Rite

journey. I will complete my visitations in the next few months and look forward to meeting with the Sir Knights.

Commandery Inspections can be made before our Annual Conclave begins in April. If you plan to hold an Inspection, contact the Grand Commandery of Idaho and we will dispatch an Inspection Team. I would love to see a couple of these inspections performed in my year as Grand Commander.

The One-Hundred-Seventeenth Annual Conclave of the Knights Templar of Idaho will be held in Idaho Falls, Idaho, on April 16-17, 2020. Registration can be found on the Grand York Rite website. I hope that all Sir Knights will plan to attend and be part of the festivities and fellowship.

Jerry D. Parsons
Right Eminent Grand Commander

