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Michael L Doten Sr.  
Grand Commander



Greetings Sir Knights

SK 's I'd like to introduce myself, as of May 29, 2020 I've been elected and installed as Maine's Right Eminent Grand Commander of Maine, along with a new officer Grand line.

I also would like, "with my greatest appreciation", to thank both SK Howard C Weymouth (Newest) Past Grand Commander of Maine and his lovely lady Pamela, for their hard work in past 13 months and through these trying times.

This year due to the Corona Virus and the order handed down by the Governor of the State of Maine State, our Most Worshipful Grand Master of Grand Lodge of Maine and Most Eminent Grand Master of Grand Encampment USA, does not allow gathering of any size in one place.

Thinking outside the box and with the assistance of Past Grand Commanders SK Brain S Messing, SK Thomas A Emery and SK Kenneth A Caldwell, we managed to create a virtual assembly by way of using Survey Monkey for voting and ZOOM to broadcast the 169<sup>th</sup> Grand Commanders Annual Grand Conclave, for State of Maine. This process gave each SK the opportunity to attend and to be part of the

Conclave and adhering to our Grand By-Laws. And I'm pleased to say many who attended the Conclave felt the work was well done.

Note: The Grand Commandery Web site will be updating soon, for the up and coming schedule year.

Sir Knights, I hope you all have great 4<sup>th</sup> of July, celebrating with family and friends. In celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, also celebrate the life of that great Maine Mason, Joshua L. Chamberlain who fought and held the line, leading the 20<sup>th</sup> Maine in the defense of Little Round Top during the battle of Gettysburg. This action happened on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1863. Most historians agree that the defense of Little Round prevented General Lee from defeating Union forces, resulting in a Union Victory that marked the high tide of the confederacy.

Prayer: O' Lord God we ask you to keep us in your light, so we here on earth can spread your teachings of greatness to all who wish to listen. Amen

Per order of

*Michael L Doten Sr.*

Attest

*Thomas A Emery*

Cancelled Upcoming events

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