

Louisiana Supplement

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Louisiana Commandery and York Rite Membership

Even though our commanderies cannot meet in person, our Louisiana Grand Commandery membership efforts shall not be foiled by COVID-19 nor Hurricanes. Our membership committees are active and are encouraged to continue to be active in bringing the blessings of Templary to every Christian mason. Every sir knight in Louisiana should actively engage in using the great materials provided for teaching our Masonic Blue Lodge brothers the great things available to the valiant and magnanimous Knights Templar of Louisiana and the York Rite of Louisiana. These materials make excellent presentations that can be used for virtual meetings by sharing your desktops during the meetings.

Excellent resources are available from Grand Encampment as follows:

http://www.knightstemplar.org/downloads.html

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1QQIceG6NS5zOj6hCyB5G

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Grand Chapter Website resources:

https://www.ramint.org/downloads/

https://infosolutionsguru.wixsite.com/learningcenter

https://infosolutionsguru.wixsite.com/learningcenter/copy-of-

 $\underline{chapter\text{-}training\text{-}home}$

Grand Council Website resources:

https://crypticmasons.org/about

https://crypticmasons.org/new-news/decryption-signup

Thanks to our Louisiana Division Commanders for their membership recruitment, recognition, and retention efforts in Louisiana:

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Division 2: Eminent Brad Williams

Division 3: Eminent Kenneth M. Mayer

Grand Commanders Message

Flags are but simple symbols, that by design, are intended to announce from afar, who their owners are, and what they hold dear. However, they can also invoke different emotions, such as Patriotism, Loyalty, Brotherhood, Reverence, Love, Unity and sometimes Fear.

This day and time we see many flags, each flown for different reasons. Each flag carries a different meaning to those who view it, some positive and some negative, this too should be respected. We can respect the flags flown by others, while holding steadfast to our own beliefs. As an American, without question the "Stars and Stripes" are proudly flown at my home, and always will be! Born and raised in Louisiana, our state flag is also important to me. As a Christian, the Christian flag is especially important. The point is this, the flag we fly tells those around us who we are and what we hold dear. My flag does not dictate your beliefs, nor does yours mine. They simply tell others who we are, and what we hold dear.

As a Knights Templar, the flag that I hold most dear is our Beauceant, the Battle Flag of our Order. To me, this flag, and its true meaning, embodies what it is be a Knights Templar. I too, as did you, took an oath not to divulge its true meaning, but I will venture a guess that most Sir Knights, if asked, could not tell you its true meaning. So, I challenge each Sir Knight reading this to do his due diligence, research and put to memory its true meaning. Only then will you understand why our ancient brethren carried this flag into battle before them, and were so Honored, and Proud, to do so.

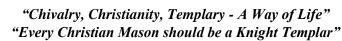
And remember Sir Knights,

"Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name give Glory"

With Faith & Humility,

Rory Bozeman,

RE Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the state of Louisiana



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