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Michael L Doten Sr. Grand Commander



## Greetings Sir Knights,

November is here along with the cooler/colder nights and our daylight hours are fast becoming shorter.

At the Encampment Northeast Division conference held in September I and the Grand officers of Maine attended, via ZOOM, where the Most Eminent Grand Master of Encampment stated that his Grand General Order #12 is still in effect with no foreseen changes. The Grand Master stated he meets several times each month, via ZOOM, with his Encampment Grand Division officers to update them with any new changes to Grand General Order #12 and any changes will be announced at the appropriate time.

I and the Grand officers of Maine, via ZOOM, are communicating monthly and will update all Commandery's as well as updating the Grand web site if any new changes to General Order #12 arise, but it's feeling like nothing may change until after Flu season.

This being said, my main concern with the lack of stated monthly Commandery Meetings, and which I have shared with the Grand Division Officers is, Sir Knights using this as an excuse to not learn their parts for the full form opening, as well as the work of each of the three Orders. So, I've asked each of our Grand Division officers to contact each Commandery Commander of their division, and to discuss this issue of concern with the Eminent Commanders and to come up with a plan to see that this will not be case.

Sir Knights, please be thankful for what we have and remember the reason the Pilgrims left England was to worship as they wanted. Let us all be thankful we have that freedom to worship as we choose without having to take a difficult 3000 mile journey on a small, cramped and wet ship.

Finally, to you Sir Knights and yours, I wish you all in having the best Thanksgiving ever!!

Closing Pray: O' Lord God we ask for your healing hand to rid us from the pandemic, heal the sick and to

bring Peace to this world, Amen

Per order of Attest

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