

West Virginia Supplement

www.gcktwv.com

Vincent E. Perry, Right Eminent Grand Commander



From the Office of your Right Eminent Grand
Commander,

Sir Knight Vincent E. Perry:

Greeting to all Sir Knights and their families. I trust that this supplement finds you all well. There are several items that need to be brought to your attention.

First, our 2020 Department Conference will be through video conferencing and will be utilizing a format from the southeastern department. This seems to be working well. I am looking forward to trying this new course.

Second, although each of us are anxious to resume our meetings, I am not sure what our “new normal” will be. Only the future will tell. But let each of us hope for the best but prepare for the worst.

Third, we as Knights Templar have endured pandemics before. One that comes to mind is the influenza of 1918 that my grandfather told me about, which mostly targeted young people. Conversely, we all

know Covid-19 seems to be affecting our middle aged and senior members with underlying health problems. I still have faith that a cure will be forthcoming by the end of this year or the first of 2021.

Fourth, if you read our last magazine (I hope you have) you discovered a new award that, if approved by our Grand Commandery and recorded in our by-laws, will be available to each commandery within our state. It will recognize that special knight who has gone far and above what is required. If our Grand Commandery approves this award by vote, then each commandery will be able to reward one worthy member each year.

Fifth, let each of us remember to brush up and perhaps learn a new part in one of our three orders.

Sixth, as your Grand Commander I am looking forward to visiting each of our commanderies before the end of my term in April.

I wish everyone a safe and sickness free fall. Remember to wear a face mask, observe social distancing, and most importantly wash your hands often.

God bless each of you and please stay safe,

Vincent E. Perry
Right Eminent Grand Commander