



Welcome Happy Morning Age to Age Shall Say Sir Knights!

On the 4th of April, the refrain from the hymn referenced in the greeting will be heard in my head, not from the rafters of my beloved Trinity Episcopal Church. This pandemic has robbed me of not only the social interaction with fellow Brethren, Companions and Sir Knights, but also with my fellow parishioners. We do meet via zoom, but I miss the music and fellowship of like-minded people. Soon we will be able to gather again and the rafters of that old church will again ring with beautiful sounds, and the warm grip of another brother will be felt in our lodges.

Many of you will be receiving new dues cards prepared by Masonic Membership Services from your recorders. On the back of the large card (some Recorders only send the wallet sized card) you will find instructions which allow you to update your personal information in the system. Please visit <https://masonic-web.com/mms/memberbio/default.aspx> and enter the number on the face of the card and birthdate. If access is not permitted, please contact me at howard47@myfairpoint.net and I will correct birthdates and spellings so you may access and update. It is important for all constituent recorders to have an accurate data base and your assistance is appreciated.

There is a large number of candidates for all degrees and orders in various stage of completion. As we begin to reopen, the Grand Chapter, Council and Commandery we are assembling a list of those ritualists and candidates who are fully vaccinated and able to assist with this great and good work. Proper precautions are necessary to perform all degree work and we are not asking any

member who feels uncomfortable to assume a role in the work. If you are comfortable, we ask you notify your constituent Secretary/Recorder with your name, e-mail address, telephone number and distance you are willing to travel. Your constituent Secretary/Recorder will compile this list and forward to the Grand Secretary/Recorder for use by our three (3) heads of bodies in coordinating the completion of degrees in various Chapters, Councils and Commanderies in our jurisdiction. Adding your name to the list will not obligate you for every degree/order, but give the Grand Chapter, Council and Commandery of Vermont flexibility in presenting degree work to the largest number of candidates in the most convenient locations.

Sir Knights, please stay safe, continue to wash your hands, always wear a mask (or two) in public and maintain social distance!

Pictures:



Sir Knight Paul Fisher at the organ at an inspection in Southwestern Vermont. Music adds so much to our work and we always appreciate S. K. Paul's contribution to our conclaves.

Courteously,

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