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Happy New year to all of you. We are approaching a new year with good news. The Order of the Temple will be conferred on Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> 2022, at the Salem Scottish Rite Center. At the time of this writing we have nearly a dozen Knights scheduled for the event. The Order of Malta will be conferred at 1:00pm followed by the Order of the Temple. A dinner and reception for the new Knights is scheduled for 5:30 pm and Oregon's Grand Master of Masons, S.K. Greg Jenkins has scheduled his attendance.

The reception is open to the public with a reasonable charge for the dinner at \$25.00. The Family and friends of the New knights are encouraged to attend the public reception and witness the devotion these new Knights have made to their faith and our fraternity. Many of Oregon's Grand Commandery officers will be in attendance to assist DeMolay Commandery in the conferral, along with members of Oregon's two York Rite Colleges.

There will also be on Jan 8<sup>th</sup>, a mid-year York Rite Conference, to review the upcoming events, legislation, and activities of all three York Rite organizations. The meeting will begin at 9:00 am and several of the Honors Organizations will hold their assemblies at the conclusion of the conference. Please attend the workshop and bring your calendar of events, and membership activities to share.

At this time the York Rite Sessions are again scheduled for April at the Mill Casino, in North Bend.

Our Lodge Brethren are actively introducing new men into Masonry. We need to assist them in every way possible to instill the values of our fraternity into these new brothers. Those of us that have reached the doors of the Commandery Asylum truly have a faith in our creator and an understanding of man's need for brotherhood. Please share your faith and understanding with those new Masons. Be a mentor, a coach, an officer, and above all, and outstanding example of a Knight.

Today our country is divided by opinion, separated by emotion, and unwilling it seems, to hold fast to principles uplifting to all mankind. We have separated into two or more camps, unwilling to hear, see, or review the views of the "others". We as Masons, Companions, and Knights have taken oaths, obligations to separate from piques and quarrels, and are needed now, as our forefathers could see, to apply salve to the wounds, and avoid the vices and superfluities of life, but to aid our fellow man in seeking improvement, understanding, and truth.

Do good unto others. Allow no-one to suffer if within your circumstance. Be merciful, but fear not, for God is with you!

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