

#### SK John E. Porritt, KYCH Grand Commander, KT of Michigan "What's in it for me"



Greetings Sir Knights, I hope things are going well for all of you. This month I would like to comment on the Christmas Observation that was hosted by Howell Commander SK Jim Rutherford. The Genesee Valley Commander William Dover did an excellent job of running the program There were 15 commanderies represented at the virtual conclave. The event went very well and made me feel very proud to be able to be part of the event. Thank you to all the Knights that took part in the event. I encourage each of you to follow the guidelines set up by the state in your contact with the world and each other. Please do all you can to stay healthy. May God bless all of you and your families.

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# Stay Connected -Stay Safe



#### The virtual Age

Changing times mean we must change as well, it is critical that we embrace every chance to keep on track and more so to stay in touch. , I encourage Commanderies to hold "Virtual" Conclaves. These work well for maintaining proper business communications, even holding election and installation of Officers. During these virtual sessions no ritual can be performed or discussed. Simple rule of thumb if we could legally do it in public it is safe for a virtual meeting. Check out internet programs like Skype, Zoom, Go to meeting. These are just a few of the free of inexpensive programs out there.

### If they don't know they can't go!

Have you posted your event it on the Grand Commandery web site, sent a post card, put out a letter or made a phone call? These seemingly little things make sure the Knights know what is happening. No matter how well planned an event is, if the Knights don't know they won't be there.

Good planning includes good communication

Never forget the one who loves you with all her heart. Happy Valentines day, to all the Ladies that hold our hearts.

#### A MASON' WIFE



From Active Masons, resolute: Our wives and families we salute: We surely know the price you pay.



No high degrees on you conferred. In Lodge, your name is seldom heard. You serve our cause though out of sight. While sitting home alone tonight.

> Masonic papers list our names. Awards are given, fit to frame; But yours is absent...you who strive, To keep our fortitude alive.

You're part of every helpful deed, On your encouragement we feed: Without your blessings, how could we, Continue acts of charity?

And so, this poem, we dedicate, To every Master Mason's mate; And offer our undying love, Rewards await in Heaven above.







The Prelates Quill Reflecting in God's word

Valentines Day causes us to reflect on the power of love, especially a love devoted to serving God and his people. Reflect this month on 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. "

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