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Grand Commandery of Delaware



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State News for November 2021

Fall has finally arrived and all though the leaves are late in falling, our hopes are high for our Sir Knights to again meet face to face. It has been a busy time with Grand visitations to all commanderies. I have enjoyed the warm reception each commandery has shown to the Grand Staff and me.

I set a task for every Commandery to complete, concerning their membership. I have asked them to focus on three areas. First, what are you doing to introduce new Sir Knights into the commandery? Second, what are you doing to retain your present members and motivating them to attend the regular meetings? Finally, what steps are you taking to communicate with your members to keep them informed as to your meetings and activities. I hope that with emphasis on these three areas we can enlarge our numbers and bring back our Sir Knights that have been absent for a while.

An item for your calendar, Our Christmas celebration will be hosted by St. Andrew Commandery on December 16, 2021. The celebration will be located at Union 7 Lodge building in Dover. This will be an open event so please bring your wives and family members. We hope to start at 7:30 pm. Please contact me at 410 600 4657 or email me at randymullen2@hotmail.com so we can get a head count for the refreshments that will follow the service. I do expect all elected officers from the commanderies to be in attendance.

Remember your swords and scabbard holder for November's meeting. I hope we can enjoy fellowship while we do a little practice with sword basic drills. Please tell your fellow Sir Knights and let's see if we can have a good turnout for fun and fellowship.

Please remember the Knight Templar Eye Foundation with your gifts. The work they do with our support helps people throughout the world. Please use the Grand Encampment web site for more information and valuable videos that show how your gifts are utilized.

I hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving and you will be able to enjoy it with your friends and family this year.

Please all stay well,
Randy Mullen
Grand Commander

Please remember our charities and support them with your contributions. The Grand Commandery has a fund set aside to provide for an all-expense paid trip to the Holy Land for ordained ministers. Your donation will help to fund this worthwhile program in the future. Donations can be made out to the Grand Commandery of Delaware and noting that it is for the Holy Land Pilgrimage and sent to the Grand Recorder.

Also, for those Sir Knights who are not already Life Members of the Knight Templar Eye Foundation, a contribution of \$30 will allow you to become one. Donations can be made through your local Commandery Recorder.