

OREGON SUPPLEMENT

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Joy and greetings to all Sir Knights and their Ladies.

This August, the 168th Triennial Conclave will be held. Many of our Oregon officers will attend and participate in reviewing and deliberating on a plethora of legislation being offered for vote. The summer uniform allowance and dates, uniform in public, demise of Grand Commanderies, offices in Multiple Commanderies, and many more items are being offered for consideration.

If passed, these will be offered for acceptance at our Grand session next April. Oregon's By-Laws will require modification before these changes should be enacted. Some of the legislation might be enacted if within the rights and duties of the Grand Commander by a general order on a temporary basis.

Much of the legislation is being proposed by S.K. Jeremy Vaughn, PGC of Idaho and S.K. Jack Harper, II, PGC of Texas. They have obviously spent some time in preparing these proposed changes in the future conduct of our Order.

I will report on the modifications at the York Rite, mid-year meeting in Salem this fall and propose what modification legislation will be reasonable at our Session.

More than a dozen men were conferred the degrees of The Cryptic Council in Mid July this year at Albany. Royal Arch degrees are being scheduled throughout the Region. The first Degrees of Masonry are being conferred throughout our Jurisdiction. Masonry is alive and recovering from the effects of the shutdown, and many of these men are eager to join our ranks as Christian Knights.

DeMolay Commandery in Salem is preparing to host the Order of the Temple in late January, thus allowing time to confer the previous degrees and orders in local Commanderies, Chapters and Councils. This particular Order requires a large cast and may be difficult for some Commanderies to confer well. Consider bringing your future Knights to Salem.

The two York Rite Colleges in our jurisdiction have made commitments to aid any Chapter, Council, or Commandery to Confer Orders or Degrees. Be sure to contact them if you need assistance to bring our Brethren to more light. The Order of the Temple should be the Crowning event on most Mason's search for Light. Let's pool our efforts to instill in the new Knights, the confirmation of their faith in Christ, and the rewards of which we are assured in Heaven.

Our Knights comprise many denominations of the Christian Faith, and a few others. We have three things that must be in common and undeniable, The Birth of Christ, His Resurrection and Ascension. We as Knights need to hold these events sacred to our very existence. In order that we fulfill our obligations, and honor the truth of our Order, The Grand Commandery of Oregon will hold over the next year, a Christmas, Easter, and Ascension Sunday event.

Easter, falling on April 17th in 2022, will occur in the term of our next Grand Commander, as will Ascension Day. I truly hope we may firmly commit to hold these holy day celebrations.

Masonic membership needs to be a priority within every lodge, Chapter, Council, and Commandery. You are charged to make available Masonic information to all good men, that they may be informed of the value and merits of the Order.

It's a good thing! Get'r done!

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