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Greetings Sir Knights:

It is now April and the Grand Sessions are rapidly approaching. Be sure to get your registrations in and your hotel reservations made. The sessions will be at the LaQuinta in Tacoma May 12th-14th. The forms are on the website.

I hope each Commandery is making plans for their Easter Observance, which is a required Observance for Knights Templar. Easter this year is on April 17th. For those who are able to attend, the Easter Observance hosted by the Grand Encampment is scheduled for April 17th at the Hilton Crystal City Hotel in Virginia. Information is available on the Grand Encampment website.

Tacoma Chapter No. 4 hosted the conferral of the Chapter Degrees on February 19th. I was very pleased that we had 12 candidates go through the degrees and become Royal Arch Masons. Tacoma Council No. 1 will host the conferral of the Council degrees on Monday, April 11th beginning at 7:00PM. This is a change from the date previously announced. I hope all of the new Royal Arch Masons will also be able to receive the Council degrees.

Before I leave office in May, we plan to confer the Commandery Orders on Saturday April 30th beginning at about 8:00AM. This will be hosted by Ivanhoe Commandery No. 4.

I encourage you to bring up the advantages of the York Rite with your Blue Lodge Brethren who have not yet taken advantage of the additional Light in Freemasonry offered by associated Masonic Bodies and Rites. Again I encourage Companions and Sir Knights to take advantage of the educational opportunity of the Companion Adept of the Temple Program offered by the York Rite Sovereign College of North America.

With the restrictions of the pandemic now mostly lifted, I am looking forward to more socializing with my Brothers, Companions and Sir Knights. I wish you all the very best.

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