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Fraternal Greetings!

We are three months into our chivalric year. All hands are on deck with many programs being introduced and implemented. The Virginia Templars are busy as a bee.

As you remember the Knights Templar number one priority this year is membership with a picnic added to an official visit. The picnic was for visibility and to make the public aware of the Knights Templar. All Masonic, non-Masonic family and friends are invited to have fun with the Sir Knights and enjoy their hospitality.

We had a very successful first picnic at District No. 3 picnic at Manasseh Lodge on July 2. The District Deputy Grand Commander had made a decision to hold it indoor because of the rain forecast, but just the same, it was a good turn out with good food and awesome fellowship.

The District Picnics for August are on Saturdays at 12:00 pm:

August 6 – District No. 8 (Marion, VA)

August 13 – District No. 6 (Roanoke, VA)

August 20 – District No. 1 (White Bank Park, Colonial Heights, VA)

August 27 – District No. 4 (Shenandoah Park Lion’s Club Shelter, Stephen City, VA)

The first Official Visit was at District No. 8 at Lynn Commandery, Marion, Virginia. I received good and very encouraging reviews or comments on the format of the meeting. The meeting format is similar to a Town Hall Meeting, so be ready with your reports, questions and what you think the Grand Commandery can do for you or what you can do for the Grand Commandery.

The Official Visit for August at 7:30pm is the following:

August 2 – District No. 4 at Luray Commandery No. 19, Luray, VA

In conjunction to increasing membership (quantity), we are also working on making the Commandery stronger (quality), by bringing back the Regional Leadership and Education Conference (RLEC). There are five RLEC schedules which are open to every Sir Knights who wishes to attend and learn more about Knights Templar.

The RLEC Schedules (Friday from 6:00pm-9:00pm) and Location are the following:

August 5 – Southwest Region (Kazim Shrine Center, Roanoke, VA)

August 19 – Shenandoah Valley Region (Bridge Christian Church, Fishersville, VA)

September 9 – Eastern Region (Norfolk Masonic Temple, Norfolk, VA)

September 30 – Northern Region (Manasseh Masonic Lodge, Manassas, VA)

October 7 – Central Region (ACCA Shrine, Richmond, VA)

Please watch out for future dates of the picnics and official visits. We hope to see the Sir Knights at the official visits, RLEC and invite your family and friends at the picnics.

I appreciate the diligence, untiring work and unconditional support of all Grand Line Officers, District Deputies, Grand Aide de Camps and Committee Chairs. You are inspiring. This is teamwork at its best. TEAM – Together Everyone Achieve More!

On a different note. We are working tirelessly for the upcoming Bi-Centennial Celebration to be held at the next Grand Conclave in May 2023. We would like it to be a memorable occasion, so lots of preparations are on the way. One of these preparations is creating a Souvenir Program to be included in the time capsule. So, this early, we request that you be part of the celebration and consider buying an ad or ads for the Souvenir Program. For more information, please e-mail: ktvabc2023@gmail.com or send ad information at: <https://forms.gle/vwgt64hF2tNppJS6>.

In His Service and Yours,



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May this pin remind you of the “Shield of Faith” and to put on the “Armor of God” everyday