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## Grand Commandery of Delaware







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Sir Knights and family, I hope all are well and if you have not yet been vaccinated, please consider taking advantage of this service and help stop this pandemic. Again, cases have risen in Delaware and our Grand Master has issued a mask wearing mandate for all meetings. The weather has also caused a change in our schedules. This last month we have had our first real snowstorms. Rose and I often are overseas during this time watching the snow on traffic cams but as I write this insert there is a foot of snow outside my front door.

The information concerning our March York Rite sessions is currently on our web site <a href="https://www.deyrmasons.org">www.deyrmasons.org</a> please take advantage of attending our sessions which is open to all York Rite Masons. The Grand Commandery will be meeting March 11,2022 at 1:00pm and I hope you will consider attending. St. Johns Commandry will be hosting a Commanders Dinner the evening of March 10<sup>th</sup> social hour is at 6 and dinner at 7. Ladies are invited to this event, so please bring your lady for a joyous evening.

As my tern of office is quickly ending, I would like to thank all the Sir Knights for their support and assistance during the past year. I would also like to extend my gratitude to my grand staff that has supported me and attended many of the activities even through this pandemic. I would also like to recognize the fine work of our three Commanderies and their continual efforts to improve their ritual work and communication with their members. It is my sincere hope that they will continue improving and increasing their membership.

I have had the honor of presenting to our commanderies their certificates for participation in the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. I would again encourage all Sir Knights to consider supporting the research supported by your gifts. If you would like to see how your donations are used, please log on to the Grand Encampment web site and view the several videos from researchers who have received support from the eye foundation. Please see the Knight Templar magazine for ways to contribute or you can send your gifts directly to our Grand Recorder.

The Knight Templar Easter celebration is again scheduled to be held at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. Please refer to the Knight Templar magazine for dinner reservations and schedule for this event. I hope that by April this pandemic will allow us to again celebrate this festive Christian season.

In closing I would like to thank all the Delaware Knights for allowing me to serve them for the past two years as their Grand Commander. I extend my hope and service to the new Grand Commander and wish him a successful year

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.